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The Darkey's Funeral Sermon.

The Chicago *Times* says the following story is vouched for by one of the undertakers: I had a funeral at one of the highest colored churches on the south side of long ago. The audience room of the church was crowded. The preacher who is a good deal of a common-sense man by the way, got up and read a chapter, and then closed the book without selecting a text. This is quite common with him, however. I will repeat to you just what he said: "Brudders and sisters, de church am crowded to-day as I habent seed it fo many a day. In fact as theatres sometimes put it, dar am standing room only. Now, why am dis? I kin tell yo' all, and I se gwine fo' to speak my mind to de plat. Yo' all come heah fo' to see de deceased in de coffin dar. I remembah, brudders and sisters, when Brudder Johnson, de deceased was a libber, an when he use to come to de church, which I am proud to say fo' his memory, he did, yo' all was never berry much consarned about flocking to heah fo' to see him dea. When he was libber the deceased wa'nt much run after. Some of yo' all wouldn't speak to him. But now dat de deceased am dead, yo' all kin come in heah and block up de lies and de spar room, kase yo' all tink dat de coffin will open and you kin march around and take a look at de deceased. I se gwine to disappint yo' all. De coffin won't be open no'in dis yeah church. Mr. Undertaker, proceed wid de necessary preparations for removin ob de body ob de deceased while de congregation will remain stan'in and line de choir in de chant, blessed are de dead dat die in de Lawd. De deekins will improve the opportunity by passin de baskets. I warn you called people what's in de habit of flockin' to de funerils ob deceased members and wont come to church dat yo' got to pay fo' yo' fun."

At a Whist Table.

"Whose deal is it?"

"Who dealt last?"

"You, didn't you?"

"I don't know."

"It's Mr. B.'s deal."

"Why, so it is."

"What's trumps?"

"*Diamonds!* Well, if I ain't got the *prettiest* hand."

"Well, I just haven't got a *thing*."

"I never did have quite such awful luck."

"Whose play is it?"

"Let me see, what's trumps?"

"Diamonds."

"Oh, so it is; how stupid of me to forget."

"It's your play."

"Oh, is it? what's led?"

"Spades."

"Let me see, how-um-um spades led and diamonds are trumps?"

"Hurry and play."

"Oh! if you didn't have ten trumps."

"Who took that trick?"

"You mean *thing*."

"O-o-oh! if you didn't make four! You're horrid! Whose deal is it?"

Then they say it all over again.

PERILS OF STYLE.—They do things decorously when they can up in Winnipeg. A lord bishop from the Canadian dominion visited one of the established church magnates there recently, and was treated with high ceremony. His grace was late at breakfast one morning, and the rector's wife, becoming uneasy, instructed her maid-of-all-work as follows: "Go up to his grace's door, Bridget, and knock gently, and when the bishop answers say slowly and quietly, just as I do, 'My lord, breakfast waits.'" The hostess listened and heard Bridget' clump, clump, clump upon the stairs. Then a brawny bang upon the bishop's door and the following:

Bishop (gently from inside)—"What is it?"

Bridget (loudly from outside)—"My God! Come to breakfast! It's a-waitin'!"

—WHAT SHE WANTED.—The lawyer wa sitting at his desk, absorbed in the preparation of a brief. So bent was he on his work that he did not hear the door as it was pushed gently open, nor see the curly head that was thrust into his office. A little sob attracted his notice and turning he saw a face that was streaked with recent tears, and told plainly that the little one's feelings had been hurt.

"Well, my little one, did you want to see me."

"Are you a lawyer?"

"Yes. What is it you want!"

"I want," and there was a resolute ring in her voice, "I want a divorce from my papa and mamma."

—A "trustee," speaking of the new law requiring teachers to instruct in hygiene said "he never studied high-jenny and didn't see no use on't."

A Parting and a Greeting.

A parting we give to thee, Old Year,
Thou art gone with thy smiles and thy tears,
And many fond hopes were unrealized,
As also were many sad fears.
Thy days at length are numbered,
Thy record stands complete,
While thy footsteps slow departing
We hear the echoes repeat.

A good-by we say to thee, Old Year,
Not as some say it to an old friend,
As if hasting to welcome a new one,
So willing old friendship should end;
But yielding allegiance to Time
Whose progress we cannot defy,
Kindly and gently we bid thee
A cordial but tender good-by.

A greeting to thee O, New Year,
As we stand on thy threshold to-night,
Tho' we know not the burdens thou'rt bring ing us
As thy swift days take their flight.
We know not the hours of sunshine,
We know not the hours of shade,
We only know that in *every* year
Some roses blossom and fade.

A greeting to thee O, New Year,
As then comest a stranger to earth;
Thou art welcomed by some with gladness,
By others with pleasure and mirth.
But alike to the grave and gay-hearted,
No secrets of thine are revealed,
And whether we woo thee or shun thee,
The future to us is sealed.

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(For the Ellsworth American.)

Lines to E. O. H.

ON THE DEATH OF HER SON, WHO DIED SEPT. 9TH, 1888.

You miss to-night the lovely boy,
Who once made glad your home,
And think, with bitter grief, of all
The lonely days to come.

Your thoughts turn back to days of yore,
When he was but a child,
And lisped to you his evening prayer
In simple accents mild.

How fondly then you gazed on him,
And thought, with mother's joy,
That God was very good to give
To you this precious boy.

You look back o'er the twenty years
That he was spared to you,
And memory brings, in colors bright,
His loving deeds to view.

And then you bow in sorrow deep,
And cry, in anguish wild,
That God in Heaven was unkind
To take from you your child.

But think not thus, lone heart, in this
Thy darkest, saddest day;
For hark! from out the realms of bliss
I hear the angels say:

He now is led in pastures green,
By living waters pure,
And he is drinking in the joys
That ever shall endure.

He walks in raiment of pure white,
For he is worthy now;
And God has placed the fadeless crown
Of life upon his brow.

No chilling blast of earthly wind
Shall ever pierce his cold,
But he shall dwell in peace and joy
While endless ages roll.

Look on, dear heart, and do not grieve,
On Christ thy burden cast,
For He can calm the howling sea
And still the raging beast.

Thine earthly race with patience run,
Thy cross with meekness bear;
And when the triumphs all are won
The victor's crown thou'lt wear.

ALBERT E. GREEN.

So. Paris, Maine.

(For the Ellsworth American.)

Rebuked.

BY L. G. C.

Near the close of a sultry day, the last of June, 184—, the lumbering old stage-coach, drawn by three horses, which plied between Buckspoint and Ellsworth, might have been seen toiling laboriously along the dusty road near the latter place. Parker, the driver, a stout, dust-begrimed man, sat on the seat, and ever and anon urged the tired, heated horses, occasionally varying his monotonous "go along" by a remark on the scenery of that tiresome road, or gave some reminiscence of one of his many passengers. By his side sat a young man of some twenty-four years, evidently a stranger to this vicinity. He was fully above the medium height, dark brown, almost black, hairy eyes dark and sparkling, with a face showing him to be possessed of more than ordinary intellect.

As the stage came in sight of the village, on the top of "Bridge Hill," the driver took from under his seat a tin horn and gave two lusty blasts, which seemed to rebound from the solid side of "craverock" and go echoing down the winding river, till re-echoing, again faister, the sound was lost in the woods of Indian Point. The young man glanced up quickly as if to *catch* the echo, but his eyes caught a sight that was to haunt him for good or evil the remainder of his life. In the gateway of a fine old residence, within the shadow of a stately elm, stood a young lady, as fair as one will look upon in a lifetime. Passing some business remarks with the driver, she turned toward the house with a grace that betokened pride, even haughtiness, and a strong unbending will. Left an orphan at an early age, Henrietta Fish (as I will call her rather than by a name then better known in the village) was petted and admired by all around her. With wealth sufficient to gratify every wish, her greatest fault was she yielded to none when once her mind was set on attaining any object.

But who the young man seated beside the driver, so attracted to the pretty face at the gate? We will soon learn. The stage continued down the hill, across the bridge, and reined up at the door of the village tavern. Alighting, his hand was grasped by the landlord, who was evidently expecting him, and leading him into the office and up to the register to book his name, was thus the first one to learn that which driver Parker had failed to win from him in the long ride from Bucksport. On the book he wrote in a bold business hand the name Harry Farwell; at least that is the name it suits me to use, not desiring in this sketch to be too exact. After partaking of a hearty supper the traveller strolled down Main street to Water, and in a few moments stood at the door of the residence of the village blacksmith. How had he, a stranger, as he had told the driver, so readily found the evident object of his journey?

Mr. Stearns, the blacksmith, had two daughters. Seldom could there be found two sisters so unlike. The elder, Louise, was tall, dark and stately; Alice, the younger, light complexioned, petite and girlish. But it is of the former I have to write. Louise had been on a visit to friends in Massachusetts the year before, and while there had worked for a time in a factory in Salem. It was while there she had made the acquaintance of Harry Farwell. He had been presented to her as of a good family, educated and refined, and without a fault, and so he was when first she made his acquaintance, which soon ripened into a strong regard for each other, and on her return home they had kept up a correspondence, which at last ended in an engagement. In her letters she had informed him of the location of her residence, and with the assistance of a few directions from the landlord he was enabled to readily find it, though a stranger in town. On this visit they had decided to be united in marriage.

A few days after the arrival of the young man there was a grand picnic at Weymouth Point. Two large scows had been engaged, and as it was before the advent of a steamer or tug in the waters of the river, the scows were rowed by two large oars, assisted by a boat towing ahead, and also taking advantage of the ebb and flow of the strong current of the river. Many of the citizens of Ellsworth will remember this and similar excursions, which were participated in by many of the young ladies and gentlemen of that day. All were merry and happy, and everything was as joyous as well could be. But who ever knew of a picnic wherein some jealousies were not engendered? On this occasion, among the number to greet the handsome stranger was the lady of the sweet face at the gate as he rode by on the stage three days previous—a face which had never ceased to haunt him since he first gazed on it. Harry Farwell was not fickle, nor inclined to be led astray by every pretty face, and had any one accused him of doing so in this case he would have met with a stern rebuke. They were much together during the day, and many a remark was passed on their seeming infatuation, as few knew of the state of affairs between himself and Louise Stearns. When on their return Louise, half in earnest half in jest, accused him of paying so much attention to the other, he flatly and almost in anger denied all intention of doing so, but for all this only a few days proved that Harry was indeed greatly attacked to the rich and haughty belle.

For some time it had been feared that Louise was fast approaching the first stages of consumption, and it was soon noticed that from that day she gradually failed. When the first snows of winter fell they whitened the grave of Louise Stearns, the disappointed daughter of the village blacksmith. When the first flowers of spring came Harry Farwell and Henrietta Fish were united in marriage by Parson Tenney. But he who had been moral in all his ways from that day began to change. What that change was and why, may best be learned from the following conversation between two of his acquaintances:

"Say what you will, Harry is more sinned against than sinning. She has more to do with his fall than any other cause. He would be a different man were she a better woman."

"Her faults do not excuse him from being a drunkard."

"True; but man never loved a woman better than he does her, and her actions drive him mad. Why did he act so last night? You saw as much as I. She insisted on attending the ball much against his wishes and protestations. Her flirtations with those two men maddened him. He went out and drank as she knew he would."

"Why did she not take him home?"

"That is it. Why didn't she? Because she is proud and unyielding. She would not do it thinking it would humiliate her."

"It would not have lowered her in the eyes of those present so much as remaining and still keeping up her flirtations."

"Her desire for finer men's company will be her ruin and his. Aside from his drinking he is a noble man. Educated, honest, generous—possessed of all the finer qualities, he might be a good citizen were he not so jealous and she such a flirt; if she would only try to elevate rather than degrade him and herself."

Such was the opinion and remarks of their friends. From bad to worse, downward was his career. In a short time his savings as well as her large fortune, which she had unluckily placed in his hands, were gone, and Harry became one of the lowest of the low. As last at the urgent importunities of her friends his wife deserted him, leaving him alone to his degradation. She took up her residence in Massachusetts, living in the most humble circumstances. In a short time he also left the village, and for awhile was lost sight of and almost forgotten. If any one gave him a thought it was only to wonder what had become of him.

Six years had passed away, and again the old stage pauses at the door of the village tavern. A fine, noble looking gentleman hastily jumps from the driver's seat, and in alighting nearly overthrew a thinly clad, pale looking lady. As he eagerly hastens to apologize for the mishap instead of excuses only one word escapes the astonished passenger—

"Etta!"

And the only word from the lips of the more than surprised lady is—

"Harry!"

Eagerly seizing her hand he leads her into the ladies' parlor without another word being spoken by either. Once there he briefly related his experience for the past few years. Without money, without friends, disconsolate and driven almost to suicide by his dissipations, he one day learned of the rich gold fields then just discovered in California. Working his way to Boston on a vessel, he found some old friends and acquaintances who loaned him money to pay his way to the mines, little hoping or thinking, perhaps not caring, what his fate might be. With a strong determination to regain what he had lost, both in wealth and position, he toiled early and late with that object alone in view, and richly were his efforts rewarded. At the end of three years he had accumulated more than the former fortune of his wife and that which he had once possessed. Then a longing seized him to return once more to the place which had held so much joy and sorrow for him. Besides his good fortune he had recovered his former fine appearance, which years of dissipation had wrought so much change in, and was now a hale and hearty man.

The years of sorrow and deprivation had sadly changed the once beautiful wife. That sorrow had also taught her a bitter lesson. All her hauteur and wilfulness had vanished, and in their stead had come that which so well adorns the lady of mature age.

Just outside the village is one of the cosiest, pleasantest homes in these parts, a home surrounded by all that wealth and taste can suggest, and in this peaceful quiet place reside the two who were so strangely torn apart, but now reunited in peace, love and prosperity in their declining years.

—A Boston young man got very much the better of a surprise party to which many that he knew were invited, though he was left out. He brooded it a while and then stole a march on all the others by inviting the young lady in whose honor the party was to go with him to the theatre. Not knowing of any other arrangement she accepted.

Letter from Greeley, Colorado.

GREELEY, Col., Dec. 19, 1888.

Dear Mr. Chilcott:

The days have been so full of work that I have not found time to fulfill my promise until now.

Your letter calls for a few words about Union Colony and Greeley, the city it has built up.

I can do no better than to send you a few paragraphs from a historical sketch of Union Colony that has come into my possession, and add to them a few words from my own study and observation.

The historical sketch was written a little over two years ago. It is, in part, as follows, and was taken from the Greeley *Tribune*:

"Situated on a gentle rolling plain along the banks of the Cache-la-Poudre river, is the handsome little city of Greeley, frequently styled "The Garden City of Colorado, from the fact that the houses are, for the most part, surrounded by neatly kept gardens. It might with equal propriety be named "The Forest City," for, seen from the adjacent bluffs, it looks like a forest, with here and there a church steeple, a tower, or the gabled roof of some lofty dwelling peeping out here and there from among the trees.

The city is now a little more than sixteen years old, it being an outgrowth of the famous Union Colony, originated by the late N. C. Meeker, and which settled in this valley during the spring of 1870. The facts are briefly these: Mr. Meeker came to Colorado in company with a party of journalists and others in 1869, and being much impressed with the desirableness of the country and climate, conceived the idea of a small colony of not more than fifty or sixty families, all to settle near enough together to have the advantages of society, schools and churches from the outset. On his return east Mr. Meeker, after mentioning the matter to his wife, who consented to the plan, consulted Mr. Greeley, who heartily approved the scheme, telling Mr. Meeker to write the call and he would endorse it in the New York *Tribune*. This was done, and instead of fifty or sixty, more than seventy responses were received. A meeting was held in Cooper Union, New York, December 23, 1869, when the union of colonists was organized and plans projected with Mr. Meeker president; Gen. R. A. Cameron, vice-president; and Horace Greeley, treasurer. A locating committee consisting of N. C. Meeker, R. A. Cameron, and A. C. Fisk were soon after appointed, who came out to choose a location, Mr. H. T. West accompanying them at his own request. The committee traveled in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah, and then returned and reported to the executive committee, who adopted their suggestions; Messrs. Meeker and Cameron returned to Colorado being joined at their own request by Mr. H. T. West. On the 5th of April, the following telegram was sent over the wires:

"Union Colony, No. 1, has located on the delta formed by the South Platte and the Cache-la-Poudre rivers, and the Denver Pacific railroad."

Such in brief are the facts that led to the settlement of Greeley and the adjacent lands. The first settlers arrived about the middle of May, on the future town site not a house or shanty, not even a bush or twig in sight, except the trees along the margin of the river. Beside these nothing was to be seen between the river and the foothills 25 miles away out a vast rolling prairie covered with cactus and the short grama grass of the region. The next year the assessed valuation of real and personal property in Greeley was over $400,000, and to-day, 1886, it is nearly $1,000,000, which represents far more in proportion than did the valuation of 1871."

I presume this country never produced a more firm advocate of temperance than was Horace Greeley. It would be natural then to suppose that a colony which he did so much to form and to establish upon a successful basis, would be composed of temperance people. Upon this subject of temperance in Greeley the historical sketch above quoted says:

TEMPERANCE IN GREELEY.

"It was the intention of the founders of Greeley to make this a temperance town; a clause prohibiting the sale of liquor is therefore found in the title to every lot. The wishes of the founders have been carefully and easily carried out, and the history of the town from the beginning to the present time abundantly proves their wisdom in this matter. There has been now and then a "boozing" or "spree" for more than two or three have gone so far as to attempt the sale of liquor on lots which it was supposed the prohibitory clause did not cover, but the end of such attempts has been sudden and inglorious. One came as a pioneer about the second week after the first tent was pitched, but old Lucifer soon came along. Then there was a little smoke, a blaze, a few ashes, and some fresh traces beyond the Poudre, and thus ended the first attempt. About a dozen years passed and another of this tribe came to town and undertook to set himself up in business, but again there was a blaze, and an enterprising citizen hastily fled to more congenial quarters. Some of our citizens are full of regrets and misgivings to this day that they did not use a little hemp along with the matches.

To-day Greeley has a population of about 2,500. Signs of prosperity abound. The morals of the place are cause for frequent remark. The city is familiarly called "Saints Rest." On a Saturday afternoon you may see the streets crowded with teams from the country and neighboring villages, and the stores and pavements full of farmers and ranchmen, and a dozen cowboys may be seen standing on the street corners or galloping through the town. But the crowds are civil. There is seldom a quarrel, or uncivil word spoken on our streets. Mothers with their little ones, or parties of young ladies can stroll along our pavements, or through the park in the afternoon or evening moonlight, without fear of the ruffianism so common in more-cursed towns. About sunset the visitors from the country take their quiet leave of the city, and by 8 o'clock Saturday evening the streets are usually as quiet as on a Sunday evening. The writer has lived here nearly a year but has never as yet seen one drunken man in Greeley. Still the city is not entirely free from liquor. We live only 50 miles from Denver, where the article is manufactured.

From figures kindly furnished me by the city clerk, F. H. McDonald, I find the number of arrests on record for the six years ending with 1885, was only 16, and the expenses for marshal less than $1,000. In 1885 the marshal was hired by the year at a salary of $40 a month, making $480 for the year. In 1884, the expense was $258, most of which was for the prosecution of a liquor case, so that with these two exceptions the cost has been nominal. The clerk remarks that during these years the city has been free from disturbances such as are frequent in whisky towns.

In 1882 a house of prostitution was found within the city, but warrants for arrest were at once made out and the inmates sold their property and vacated. The city has been free from such characters ever since.

We have no resident poor except one lady who is a paralytic. We have a jail, an ornamental appendage of our $40,000 Court House, and taking the years together it averages one inmate at a time.

The above figures speak for themselves. If Greeley spent as much per capita, as the people of the United States do for liquor, our bill would be $125,000 and we would have about forty paupers on our poor farm, and we would also have a crowded jail."

This is a remarkable showing when compared with many of these western towns where saloons are allowed to exist. My own observation up to within a month or six weeks of the presidential election, would bear unwavering testimony to the truthfulness of the statements made in the paper I quote from. When I came here some months ago there was not a prisoner in the jail, but with the approach of the campaign signs of intoxication put in an appearance, and an occasional disturbance arose. On the day of election there was beverage of an intoxicating nature to be had in quantities somewhere within the city limits. Denver being near can supply the demand for "liquor" on short notice, and does do so. But not a few of the citizens of Greeley are very suspicious that the "article" is being sold in town. This has been so manifest that the city was in danger of losing its good name. But means have been taken to put a stop to such sales and with some satisfactory success. But nevertheless the saloon keeper has a foothold somewhere in town at present, and is endeavoring to create a sentiment in his favor as well as an appetite for his beverage.

The jail is now full of criminals, but the most of these are from other towns within Weld county of which Greeley is the capital. Four of these criminals are in for murder committed in a town near Greeley. Now, however, that the election is over and the politicians have got their work in, we hope for improvement and the disappearance of all "dram sellers," if any are to be found in the city.

The charter of the colony runs twenty years from its organization and expires in 1890. Whether Greeley will then continue a temperance city or not remains to be determined. A different organization will be effected at that time and no doubt a desperate effort will be made to establish a license law and introduce the saloon. But the people are on guard and will not be found sleeping. We have not a large class of loafers such as are found in towns having saloons on every street. Greeley is not attractive to them and their absence, in great degree, from the polls is beneficial in its result. But as Greeley becomes a larger city the contest becomes more severe. The saloon keeper looks upon it with greater greed every year and his efforts will grow more fierce in the years to come. Any decrease in the public sentiment against the saloon is a vast help to the saloon element, and knowing this, no effort is spared by it in this direction. But the chief cause of disturbance in Greeley from drunkenness is to be found in the sale of intoxicating liquors in the surrounding towns and especially in Denver. People from these towns will sometimes appear in an intoxicated condition upon our streets, and give the idea that they became drunk in Greeley. All things considered Greeley undoubtedly comes as near being a strictly temperance city as any in the United States. Its chief danger comes from a class of lawyers who stand in the way of the proper enforcement of the law and who, for the saloon keeper's money, will pervert justice, but, notwithstanding Greeley well deserves the name being a temperance city and no doubt will continue to deserve that name. The people are temperate, cultivated, careful and are determined to maintain the good character of our city.

The Verb "To Love."

THROUGH HEST TO MATRIMONY—HOW SOME WIVES WERE WOOED AND WON.

(From the New York News.)

Marriages are often the result of accident. It seems strange but the most prudent person will sometimes conceive an irresistible attachment at the suggestion of a word or a look. When once under the spell of the verb "To love," they go through all the forms and finish the declination of the verb before the altar. The few may give the subject the consideration it deserves, but the many, there is reason to fear, are guided by impulse.

A skipper of a coasting vessel called at a village inn and asked the landlady, a young widow: "Do you know where I can get a mate? I have lost my mate."

"I am sorry for you Mr——" she said, smiling. "I want a mate, too, and cannot get one. As we are in the same position, I'll tell you what I'll do; if you'll be mine I'll be yours." Hard used with the bargain and the widow keeping to her word, he is now supplied with two mates.

A young man at a church bazar was buttonholed by a lady; she would not let him go until he had bought something. He looked at her stall, which contained fancy work of various kinds. "Why," he said, "I see nothing here that would be of the least use to me, a bachelor, except yourself. The rest would be dear to me at any price."

"I will be cheap enough," she said coaxingly.

"If you could be dear enough, perhaps——"

"Oh, come! you are just the person I want," taking him by the arm.

She sold him one article after another, keeping up an agreeable conversation the while, and before all was done he had purchased everything on the stall. Then at settling up, there was something said about discount. "I cannot return any money," she said blushing, "but if you think me dear enough there's mamma; she may give you my hand." The bargain was accordingly concluded.

An eminent doctor, who had saved the life of a lady, a personal friend, was asked his charge. He said he generally allowed his patient friends to remunerate him as they thought fit fitting.

"But don't you often get disappointed on these terms?" she inquired.

"I may say, never."

"As you are so easily pleased, here," and she playfully gave him her empty hand, while in the other was concealed a check for a handsome sum. "How easily I could have taken you in!" she added producing the check.

"But you have only succeeded in drawing me out," he said, declining to relinquish her hand. "Don't insult me with a check; I am most generously rewarded."

Perhaps she understood the doctor's difficulty and wished to help him out of it, at any rate the giving of her hand led him to offer his heart.

A lady with a fine figure having taken a fancy to a valuable ring which she saw in the jeweler's shop window went inside to examine it. "It is exceedingly lovely; I wish it were mine," she said, on satisfying herself. "What smaller figure could tempt you?"

"No other figure than the figure before me," he said, giving her an admiring look at the same time. "It is exceedingly lovely. I wish—I could tempt you with the ring."

"I think I'll take it," she said, laying down the money amidst blushes. Of course he accepted the money; but getting her address, he made such good use of the hint that the next ring which she got was given by him in church.

A lady in a railway train kept looking out of the window, with her head forward, until she remembered that the gentleman opposite might possibly object.

"Do I cut off the view?" she asked.

"Merely of all I do not wish to see!" he replied gallantly.

The ice having been thus broken, they entered into conversation, found that they were to get out at the same station, and knew each other's friends. The rest was plain sailing into what somebody calls "the matrimonial haven."

"Are you married yet, Kitty?" said a sailor on meeting an old acquaintance after returning from a long voyage.

"No; that somebody has never come."

"Ah, then, I have brought him after a deal of bother," he said, throwing his arms around her; and the matter was then and there settled.

This was ingenious enough, like the case of the theatrical manager who was brought to the point when he called to inform his leading actress that he had secured a play at last which was sure to have a long run.

"What part have you reserved for me?" she asked.

"You are to be a charming sweetheart, as you are."

"Is there a wife in the piece?"

"There is."

"Then I have done charming sweethearts till I am tired. I must be a wife in the long run." And she was.

—Lieutenant Wissman will carry out his intention to try and relieve Emin Bey.

(From our regular Correspondent.)

Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24, '88.

Senator Sherman made a very sensible speech in response to a serenade given him by the Sherman Republican League, a newly organized club of colored men. His advice to the negro of the South is to get educated and to acquire property. Better could scarcely be given to anybody. Another bit of excellent advice was the close of Mr. Sherman's speech. He said: "If injustice is done, you must not resort to mob violence and crime. You must appeal to the law and public opinion. In any resort to force the advantage is fearfully against you. Your hope is in the moral conviction, growing stronger day by day, that injustice to you reacts on your oppressors."

Senator Allison may be seen at the Capitol since the recess getting the tariff bill in good shape for its final passage by the Senate.

Some amusement has been created among those who are conversant with the under-current of Congressional action at the easy manner in which the Democratic Senators tumbled into the open trap which had been set for them by the Republicans. Of late the fact has been patent that unless the consideration of the Senate tariff bill could in some manner be hurried up its passage would be somewhat doubtful, owing to lack of time. Observing this state of affairs the Republican Senators thought that the Christmas recess might be dispensed with and evening sessions of the Senate held in order to get through the tariff bill sometime in January. This was by no means a pleasant arrangement for those Senators who expected to eat their Christmas turkey at home. How to get the recess and at the same time make sure of the tariff bill was the question. It was easily settled and the trap set by holding a caucus of Republican Senators and deciding against a Christmas recess. In an hour every Democratic Senator had heard of the action of the caucus, and was in a state of indignation thereat. The House had passed without a division a joint resolution for a recess from Friday, 21st inst., to Monday, January 7th, and the Republican Senators had actually decided not to allow the Senate to take any recess at all! Shameful! The Democratic Senators called a caucus to consider the matter, and appointed a committee to wait on the Republicans and attempt to bring about some sort of compromise that would give the recess. This was exactly what the Republicans wanted, and what they had confidently expected. The committee was informed that the only reason the Republicans opposed the recess was because, owing to the needless amendments offered by Democrats, the time seemed to be necessary for the consideration of the tariff bill. The committee was also informed that if the Democrats would agree to take the final vote upon the tariff bill early in January the Republicans would agree to vote for the holiday recess. The committee after conferring with the Democratic Senators, and after objecting to every date mentioned finally agreed to allow the final vote to be taken on the tariff bill January 21st, while the Republicans agreed to vote for a recess from last Friday to Wednesday, January 2nd. Thus everybody was made happy and the Republicans went home feeling particularly good to think their tariff bill would go through all right next month, some time earlier than the most sanguine had hoped. This early passage of the bill will upset the calculations of the Democratic leaders of the House, who had issued their arrangements on the idea that the bill would not get through the Senate until so late in the session, that they could pigeon-hole it on the ground of lack of time for its proper consideration.

Senator Quay stopped here on his return from his visit to General Harrison, but as for as any news of the visit is concerned he might as well have gone directly home. "I am pleased with my visit to Gen. Harrison, and entirely satisfied", is about the substance of all that Mr. Quay has said of his visit.

If every man who elected Gen. Harrison is to have a position in the Cabinet, the Cabinet will have about 70,000 members. I have a sneaking, bashful kind of an idea that when the correspondents and editors get tired of working on the Cabinet Gen. Harrison will take hold of the matter and announce to the country the names of the men he has selected as his advisers.

Scene, hotel bar. Persons, two broken down politicians. First—"Ah, I am glad to meet you. I see that your name is mentioned in the newspapers as the next Secretary of the Navy." Second—"And yours as the coming Postmaster-General." Shake. First—"I am a little short to-day, loan me a dollar until to-morrow and we will drink to your success". Second—"Great minds run in the same channel, was about to make the same request of you". Loungers in the bar—"Rats."

Patents Granted

To citizens of the New England States during the past week, and reported expressly for this paper by C. A. Snow & Co., patent lawyers, opp. U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.:

H. B. Baker, Plainville, Ct., hook; S. Beers, Danbury, Ct. whiffletree; W. R. Briggs, Bridgeport, Ct., car lock; G. J. Capewell, Cheshire, Ct., nail extractor; J. T. Case, Bristol, Ct., steam engine; W. O. Clark, Portland, Me., annunciator; C. H. French, Nashua, N. H., bureau; D. J. Hadley, East Fairfield, Vt., device for heating watering troughs; H. F. Lippitt, Providence, R. I., tube for dyeing; J. S. Palmer, Providence, R. I., wire stock for jewelry; F. H. Perry, Montpelier, Vt., typewriting machine; T. W. Rounds, Providence, R. I., street railway switch; A. H. Sawyer, North Weare, N. H., sleigh; J. P. Tilton, Lewiston, Me., stop motion for looms; A. M. White, Waterbury, Ct., rivet setting machine; S. S. Williamson, Bridgeport, Ct., garment stay; C. M. Platt, Waterbury, Ct., rivet setting machine; F. Rhind, Meriden, Ct., hanging lamp; J. Lathrop, Norwich, Ct., weather strip; D. M. Lester, Norwich, Ct., envelope machine; C. J. Luce, Niantic, Ct., strap connection; J. M. Merrow, Merrow, Ct., overseaming fabrics; W. W. Ives, Norwich, Ct., display frame; E. A. Harris, Norwich, Ct., fire arm; W. T. Hopson, New London, Ct., boiler; S. Ingersoll, Stamford, Ct., hood for life projectiles.

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The Grand Army of the Republic.

All organizations, however good, are liable to be troubled with a few unhappy members who train themselves into a discordant element and eventually, perhaps, into dissenters and seceders. We read that Heaven itself had its apostate angels whose "horrid front of dreadful length, and dazzling arms," resulted in "Paradise Lost," necessitating a terrible struggle on the part of all good angels to regain the field and replace the heavenly flag over "Paradise Regained."

The Grand Army of the Republic, one of the best organizations the world ever saw, has recently been troubled with a few apostate members out in Indiana and elsewhere, whose partisan spirit and unholy ambition could not be content in a society which is noted for being scrupulously non-political, and so they took measures to institute themselves into a political Grand Army of the Republic.

In order to give plausibility to their cause, they have set up the claim that the Grand Army of the Republic is a partisan organization, that it is run in the interests of the Republican party

—that the G. A. R. leaders in the late political canvass made the order an agency for the election of Harrison. Nothing can be further from the truth and none know it better than these seceders themselves. The Grand Army of the Republic is scrupulously non-partisan in all it has to do—unyieldingly refusing to tolerate anything of a partisan bias in any of its acts or meetings. It welcomes to its ranks soldiers and sailors in the late war of all political parties and all religious sects and assures them that their political and religious preferences are matters with which the organization has nothing whatever to do; and it rigidly lives up to what it professes.

General Palmer and the few other dissatisfied men of the West who have seceded from the Grand Army of the Republic cannot have done so because the order is partisan, but rather because they are dissatisfied with its non-partisan principles, and so have essayed to form a new order where they can be allowed to give expression to their political preferences to their heart's content.

But their course will be noted for nothing so much as failure and disrepute. The members of the Grand Army of the Republic, of whatever political party or religious sect, are intensely loyal to the organization. Its non-political and non-sectarian principles so faithfully taught and steadfastly practiced, have the fullest indorsement of the great body of comrades who cannot be coaxed or driven into a political organization, in whatever garb of specious seeming it may be disguised.

—We print this week the prospectus of that bright and graphic daily, the *Portland Evening Express*. It is a paper to which we always turn with great interest feeling sure we shall find something crisp and original. May it continue to prosper.

—The President has directed the removal of Edward Cushing, Collector of Customs at Belfast, and will nominate his successor in a few days.

—Dispatches from Lamar, Miss., say that it is feared that a conflict between the whites and blacks will take place at any moment. The trouble originated from a quarrel between a white man and negro. It is reported that the negroes are congregating in the woods, and the whites, fearing a descent on the town, have collected a strong force for defence.

—A Zanzibar dispatch says it has been discovered that an agreement in relation to slave dealing exists between the English East Africa company and the Sultan of Zanzibar and the Arab slave dealers of Manzaba. By this agreement the Arabs are authorized to carry on a trade in slaves, to flog or otherwise punish them. The English consul has issued a proclamation warning all British subjects in Zanzibar that they will be liable to seven years' imprisonment if they agree to contracts for slave labor. The British traders have made a united protest against the order.

The Pope's Letter to His Peo e.

COMMENT UPON THE MATERIALISTIC AND ATHEISTIC TENDENCIES OF THE TIMES.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Opening with the words, "Exeunte jam anno," the Papal encyclical thanks God for the consolations which the jubilee rejoicings have brought to the Pope, and His Holiness thanks the Catholic world for its tokens of affection and devotion. Turning to religious matters the encyclical complains that the tendency of the age is toward material interests, and that the tendency is strengthened by worldly pride, an evil press and drama, demoralization of the arts and changed education in schools, materialistic and atheistic teaching obscuring true notions of right. Socialism, nihilism and communism, it says, are also outcomes of this addition to material things.

The Pope attended the Te Deum service in St. Peter's to-day to mark the close of the jubilee year. Fifty thousand tickets had been issued and 50,000 persons were present.

Brussels, Dec. 30.—At a large meeting at Liege to-day, at which Bishop Doutreloux presided, a resolution was adopted in favor of the restoration of the temporal rights of the Pope.

Senator Frye.

HIS WIFE'S ILLNESS CAUSES ALARM IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. The sudden and inexplicable illness of the wife of Senator Frye, and the mysterious death of her sister and lady friend at their Maine home, gave rise to a rumor to-day that Senator Frye himself was dangerously ill. Numerous messages of inquiry were received at the capitol, causing no little uneasiness and even dismay, which was quieted only by the knowledge of the facts being circulated. Much sympathy was expressed for the Senator in his affliction and the hope everywhere expressed that Mrs. Frye's illness might have a favorable termination

—Walter Moore, who was held for the grand jury upon H. S. Houghton of Wilton, last Saturday released, was again arrested Monday and bound over for assault and

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The Alleged Spanish Outrage.

RESULT OF THE INVESTIGATION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. It is learned at the Department of State that the case of the brig Josefa against the Spanish Government for indignities, etc., alleged to have been imposed by the Customs officers at Porto Rico, has been under investigation since July, 1887. The investigation disclosed the following facts: In July, 1887, the American brig Josefa of Portland, Me., entered the port of Arroya, Porto Rico, having cleared from New York in the previous month. When her manifest and bill of laden were examined by Customs officials, 20 boxes of corn starch valued at $36 were found to be on the manifest and not in the cargo. For this shortage a fine of $200 per box, or $4000 altogether, was imposed by the customs authorities. Capt. Snow protested and stated that when he was taking on his cargo at New York another vessel, a barque, of a name very similar to his, was in port and near the Josefa, and was loading under the same shipping agent as the Josefa; that the receipts were signed by his first mate, a man named Nelson, and that when the manifest was handed him (Snow) he signed it hurriedly and without paying much attention. That the receipt for the boxes of corn starch was signed for by C. Olsen while the rest of the cargo was signed for by Nelson. Capt. Snow presented his case to the United States Consul, who presented it to the Government of Porto Rico and urged the remission, or at least the reduction of the fine on the explanation thus offered. This was refused. The Department of State wrote to the Treasury Department and learned that the barque Josephus had sailed from New York for San Francisco on June 15, 1887. Her first mate was not found on board when she arrived nor was there any one named Olsen on board. Her first mate's name was Kelly.

The case is striking from the fact that the short shipment of $36 worth of starch nets a fine of $4000, but it is explained at the department that the operation of the Spanish laws is marked by such excessive fines. The United States, as well as England and Sweden, has endeavored to have this corrected, but so far without success. It is stated at the department that the Spanish ordinances are framed on the theory that a missing package not satisfactorily accounted for, covers a successful smuggling operation. Judging from correspondence the Spanish authorities reason that 20 boxes said to contain merchandise of little value appear to have gone on board the Josefa at New York; that the captain's successive excuses have been exploded; that there is no evidence that the 20 boxes contained corn starch; that they may have contained opium or some other valuable article, and that they may have been successfully smuggled ashore. Therefore the authorities adhere to their maximum fine of $200 for each missing package, no matter what the alleged contents may be. By the statute law of the United States, the unexplained package is punishable with $500 fine. In view of these facts it is intimated that Secretary Bayard does not feel justified in pressing a demand for a remission in this particular case, and that he will defer bringing the case to the attention of the Spanish Government until more satisfactory evidence is produced as to the actual disposition of the starch.

The White Cap Epidemic.

There are few States in the Union from which reports have not lately come of outrages of one sort and another perpetrated by men who are described as White Caps. Even New York shares the humiliation of having bred a gang of scoundrels who assumed that name or had it thrust upon them. In Ohio, crimes of violence attributed to the same agency have been so frequent and flagrant during the last few weeks that Governor Foraker has been obliged to give official consideration to the ability of the militia to cope with the secret organization. An amazing tale, somewhat highly varnished perhaps, was recently telegraphed over the country from Chicago at the instance of a man who had succeeded in escaping thither from the land of the Buckeyes after confronting perils the recollection of which made his teeth chatter. And this picturesquely grue-some narrative seemed to create the taste and set the standard for the White Cap literature which is now flooding the country. If this amount of activity could be accounted for only by the sudden and swift development of a secret order having branches in nearly every State and Territory, and tens of thousands of zealous members sworn to obey orders, ask no questions, hesitate at nothing and maintain the silence of the grave, there would be ample excuse for a general feeling of insecurity and many local alarms. But we have not the least idea that this is what we see existing to such really means.

That there is an active organization of miscreants pledged to secrecy and loosely bound by a lawless spirit and a more or less flexible code of regulations nobody pretends to doubt. Originally it was akin in character and purpose to the Vigilance Committee of our old frontiers. It bore some resemblance to the Ku Klux Klan, and may have been formed from the more respectable relics of that infernal order. But the early operations were inspired by honest motives, and had as good grounds for justification as lynch law ever has. But it is the inevitable fate of such organizations to degenerate into pure wantonness, and that is now the characteristic badge of the White Caps wheresoever they are found. But it is a mistake to suppose that they have any necessary connection with most of the outrages which have recently been committed, or reported, in their name.

In the first place, it is not proved that any such development of predatory and murderous instincts has actually occurred, as an unreflecting perusal of the newspapers would lead the reader to imagine. What is called an epidemic of some particular variety of crime—murder, arson, theft, infidelity, suicide, breach of trust—is often merely or chiefly an epidemic of energy among news-gatherers; and we say this not in condemnation or even in criticism of the news thus collected or the men who collect it. When an offence of peculiar character or magnitude has fixed the attention of the country, that fact gives an interest and importance to other kindred offences which are inherently less significant, and which otherwise might have gone unreported except by the local press. The special correspondent, like the rest of his countrymen, has had his thoughts drawn in a certain direction and in describing an occurrence in his own field of observation similar in motive or incident to that which everybody is talking about, he supplies a popular demand at the same time that he obeys his own instincts. In a word he knows what constitutes "news" at that particular moment and acts accordingly.

In the second place, a coterie of scamps, whether their potentiality was murder or merely a rude joke, would be very apt, under existing conditions, to borrow a suggestion from the midnight activities prevailing in other parts of the country and having laid out their own piece of work, would naturally take pains to have it attributed to the same mysterious agency. Indeed it would be surprising, if evil-minded persons anywhere should conspire to perform an act of devilitry without assuming the familiar name and guise. And this combination of everyday knaves, conforming their operations to a common conception and mould, and reporters alert to record their doings under the prevalent classification is enough, in our opinion, to account for a great part of the notoriety which the White Cap brotherhood enjoys. —*N. Y. Tribune.*

SHOT HIS WIFE AND HER LOVER.—Montreal, Dec. 30.—A coppersmith named John Benson, a Swede, who also keeps an apple and oyster saloon on St. James st., fatally shot his wife, whom he found in his room with a man named Frank Singer. He also seriously injured Singer with a pistol shot. Benson then kissed his dead wife, took farewell of his children, and gave himself up at the police station. Singer has been taken to Notre Dame Hospital, where he is doing as well as can be expected. The inquest will be held to-morrow. Benson states that his wife had told him that she loved Singer better than himself and would do more for him. Singer denies his intimacy with the murdered woman, and says he was only getting some oysters when he fell asleep and was awakened by the pistol shot.

—"I drank," says P. T. Barnum, "more or less intoxicating liquors from 1837 to 1847. The last four of these years I was in England, and there the habit and my appetite for liquor grew so strong from month to month that I discovered that if I continued it would certainly work my ruin. With a tremendous effort and a most determined resolution I broke the habit square off, and resolved never to practice it again. I have religiously kept that resolution for more than forty years. Had I not done so, I should have been in my grave a quarter of a century ago, for my health had already begun to be affected by alcohol. I was so delighted with my own escape that I travelled thousands of miles at my own expense and gave hundreds of free temperance lectures in every [illegible]

—[illegible] the murderer of Marie Agnes [illegible] guillotined in Paris.

besides Missouri, Kentucky, Louisiana and California. I have gladly expended thousands of dollars for temperance. I have built numerous houses for moderate drinking workingmen on condition that they would become teetotalers, and they subsequently paid for the houses with the money and extra strength gained thereby."

Midnight Fire at Marblehead.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED MEN OUT OF WORK. MANY PEOPLE HOMELESS.

The entire business portion of Marblehead, Mass., covering an area of about eight acres was destroyed by fire Tuesday night of last week. Assistance was summoned from Lynn, Salem and Swampscott and these towns quickly responded. The entire shoe manufacturing district, the principal business of the town, was burned to the ground. Fully 40 buildings were consumed. The flames spread with such rapidity that scarcely anything was saved. The occupants of the dwelling houses were completely cleaned out.

[SECOND DESPATCH.]

The loss by fire was estimated Wednesday noon at $800,000, with 1500 men thrown out of employment and many families rendered temporarily homeless. Thirty-seven structures in all were destroyed, including manufactories, prominent blocks and business houses. Thirteen of these were dwellings, twelve shoe factories, and twelve miscellaneous. The boundaries of the fire are almost identical with those of June, 1877, but the losses on Tuesday night's fire are nearly double those on the former. For a while there was a panic among the inhabitants who packed up their household goods in anticipation of the destruction of the whole town. The flames spread so quickly that whole blocks were ruined in less than fifteen minutes. The heat was very intense. Glass from windows melted and trickled to the sidewalks like water. Between eight and nine acres were burned over. Charles Choate, who broke a leg by jumping from a second story window, is the only injured person so far reported. None of the manufacturers think it possible to rebuild this winter and there is a general feeling of depression in the town.

A Desperate Maniac

SHOOTS A POLICEMAN THROUGH THE HEART.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 31. George E. Pray, a special policeman, was killed tonight at the house of John B. Huckins, six miles out of the city, where he had gone to arrest Charles H. Tanner and take him to the insane asylum. In 1884, Tanner, who is forty years of age, was adjudged insane and sent to the Concord asylum. Soon after John B. Huckins was appointed guardian, and through Huckins' exertions Tanner was released. Since then Tanner led a quiet life up to a week ago, when he became violent and Huckins decided to send him back to Concord. He asked Marshal Fogerty to send out two strong men to arrest Tanner at the supper table and bring him to the city for the night and then take him to Concord. Instead of so doing George E. Pray, a special police officer, was sent. He took with him Wm. Robinson, and they arrived at 6:30.

TANNER WAS SITTING

by his fire as Pray went in. The latter told him he had come to arrest him. "What for?" asked Tanner. "To take you to Concord," replied the officer. Tanner dashed by them up stairs and Pray and Robinson followed. When half way up Tanner quickly brought a gun to his shoulder and fired. Pray fell into Robinson's arms. Tanner went into the chamber, locked the door, jumped out of the window with one leg of coat, and escaped. Officers and Dr. Harry S. Stackpole went out from this city and found Pray dead. The entire charge of buck shot passed through his heart. Some began searching the woods for Tanner, while others went to his father's house, six miles off, in Burlington. Tanner has a wife and three adult daughters.

PRAY LEAVES A WIDOW

and three small children. He was thirty-four years old. At 11 P. M. five hundred people were about the station, waiting to see Tanner brought in. Tanner was seen two hours after the murder by Hiram Folker, four miles from Huckins' house. He had a rifle and said he was going to Barrington depot to kill his wife. He called at James J. Griffin's, where one of his daughters lives, and wanted to go in, but Griffin, seeing the rifle, would not unlock the door. Officers Willard, Fody and Wilkinson were in hot pursuit and late tonight found Tanner in his father's barn and arrested him. He was brought here and locked up.

Legislative Caucuses.

HON. HENRY LORD NOMINATED FOR PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

HON. FRED N. DOW NOMINATED FOR SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

AUGUSTA, Jan 1. The Republican caucuses for the nomination of officers of the Senate and House occurred at the Capitol building this evening. Mr. Libby of Portland, presided over the Senate caucus. On balloting for President of the Senate, the vote stood a tie, 15 for Herbert M. Heath and 15 for Henry Lord. Mr. Sargent, of Hancock, being absent. On the second ballot Mr. Lord received 16 and Mr. Heath 14, and the former was declared nominated. Other officers nominated were: Secretary, Charles W. Tilden, Hallowell; Assistant Secretary, Kendall M. Dunbar, Damariscotta; Messenger, C. H. Lovejoy, Surgy; Assistant Messenger, Ernest H. Wheeler, Gardiner.

HOUSE NOMINATIONS.

The nominations of the House caucus, Hon. A. P. Wiswell, presiding, were: Speaker, Fred N. Dow, by acclamation, Lewis A. Barker's name being withdrawn; Clerk, Nicholas Fessenden, Fort Fairfield; Assistant Clerk, John P. Swazey, Canton; Messenger, W. J. Smith, Litchfield; First Assistant Messenger, George H. Fisher, Winterport; Second Assistant Messenger, F. A. Stevens, Monroe; Mail Carrier, James E. Wade, Augusta; Folder, J. F. Frederick, Starks; Assistant Folder, John C. McKenney, Elliot.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

The Democrats of the House met tonight, Hon. John C. Talbot, presiding, and made the following nominations: United States Senator, H. M. Plaisted, Augusta; Speaker of the House, E. K. O'Brien, Thomaston; Clerk, B. L. Staples, Houlton; Messenger, W. H. Holmes; Augusta; Attorney General, J. H. Montgomery, Camden; Treasurer, Don. A. H. Powers, Houlton; Secretary of State, Augustus F. Moulton, Scarboro; Adjutant General, John J. Lynch, Portland.

South Bluehill.

On Tuesday last there was a Christmas tree and concert at the school-house and a large company were present. The following programme was carried out:

Singing.	choir.
Remarks.	Rev. D. B. Smith.
Recitation.	Annie Mograge.
Singing.	choir.
Recitation.	Bertha Moulton.
Singing.	choir.
Recitation.	Minnie Moulton.
Singing.	Blanchard Bowden.
Recitation.	
Singing.	choir.
Dialogue.	Annie Mograge and Jessie Bowden.
Singing.	
Recitation.	Bennie Sylvester.
Recitation.	Carrie Smith.
Recitation.	Clara Day.
Recitation.	Emmagene Herrick.
Recitation.	
Singing.	Julia Conary and Emmagene Herrick. choir.

At the close of the entertainment Santa Claus made his appearance and greeted the company with a Merry Christmas and then proceeded to distribute candy and nuts to them, after which he took the presents from a heavily laden tree and several young ladies carried them to their destination. When all the presents were distributed the company broke up, all voting it as good a time as they ever enjoyed here.

Dec. 25.

Frankfort.

HEAD OF THE BAY.

The hunting season closes to-day, and the hunters in this vicinity seem to be well satisfied with their sport. Fire deer have been shot; George Rutter shot three, George Welsh one, and Thos. Gordon one.

Mr. Rutter's fine three years old colt, Glencoe Knox, is very sick with quinsy sore throat.

John Patten has returned to Minneapolis, Minn., where he has spent the past five years. His wife will remain here this winter.

Asa Gordon is in very poor health.

Elisha Gordon started for Rockland this morning, to attend school.

John Wentworth is building him a small house which he intends to enlarge or add to in the spring.

Dec. 31. DOUBLE U.

Southwest Harbor.

Christmas festivities in the town of Tremont, public and private, have been too numerous to record in detail. Camp Thompson S. of V., had a most enjoyable turkey supper and dance at Centennial hall. Christmas eve. The pleasure was somewhat marred however, by two or more pitiable, but disgusting cases of rum-enslaved subjects, who should have been made to feel the heavy hand of the law. Twin Christmas trees at Tremont hall, with dialogues and an ice-cream social, gave pleasant satisfaction to many. The Island House tree bore its usual load of nice fruit and witnessed the merry sociability of the Point people, while other sections were equally expressive of this season of love and good will.

Our brisk and active post-mistress succeeded in collecting the stipulated sum of money on the pretty silk crazy quilt, to be sold for the benefit of the cemetery fund, in season to dispose of it on Christmas day and Mr. Charles Stanley is now the owner, he having bought out the interest of Mrs. Benj Robinson, who had an equal claim with himself.

Tremont public library received a most generous Christmas gift from an unknown source of more than three dozen valuable books direct from a Boston publishing house, embracing a fine set of biographies of American statesmen, and eminent men of letters, together with thirteen numbers of U. S. Commonwealths, a collection which any library should be proud to own. It is to be hoped that the philanthropic donor of so much good literature will make him or herself known and receive the grateful thanks of the library association.

Our graded school closed the third week in December after a very profitable term, and our citizens may congratulate themselves on having secured the services of such earnest and efficient teachers as Miss Grace Kittredge and our Carrie Robinson proved to be. The school debates on recreation day, introduced by Miss Kittredge, were much enjoyed by the scholars and brought out considerable talent. A very pleasant party given to her pupils at the home of Dr. Philips was voted very good, especially the home-made caramels and other sweets. A pretty gift to this popular teacher, added to the pleasant memories she carried to her next scene of labors at Goulds'boro.

The surprise parties, started as farewell honors to Enoch Lurvey, before he left for Westbrook Seminary, are still raging. Miss Hattie Milan, Mamie Lurvey, May Freeman and Hattie Mayo have all been duly surprised and everybody concerned well pleased with the result.

Nearly all the new houses, six at least, are about ready for occupancy, so we may safely predict some merry warmings in the near future. If we can be warmed in appropriation of extra nights, as the weekly course is entirely filled now.

Capt. Jud Robinson is now at home, having hauled up the Gamecock for the winter.

S. H. Mayo is making preparations to do considerable business limbering this winter.

Since my last news letter two more little strangers have arrived in town to add their names to the new census roll. Mrs. Mabel Tinker claims the fine boy, and Mrs. Mina Harper welcomes the little girl.

Dec. 31. STRAY.

Small's Mills.

A crowded house witnessed a very interesting Christmas concert by the Sunday school in this place on Tuesday evening with the following programme:

Singing—"Hars the Herald Angels sing,"	choir.
Recitation—"Christmas Eve,"	Alice Smith.
Recitation—"Christmas Time,"	Nola Snow.
Recitation—"Widder Spriggins' Daughter,"	Winnie Quimby.
Singing—"Ring out Merry Bells,"	Emma Eldridge and Nola Snow.
Recitation—"What the Baby says,"	Mattie Quimby.
Recitation—"Corn Popper,"	Clara Jule.
Recitation—"For Bennie and Mom,"	Arthur Moore.
Recitation—"I am a Little Girl,"	Georgia Moore.
Singing—"When the Voyage of Life is ended,"	Choir.
Recitation—"The Stylish Church,"	Emma Eldridge.
Recitation—"The Model Church,"	Hattie Williams.
Recitation—"Money at Interest,"	Tommy Dore.
Recitation—"A Boy's Determination,"	Richard Snow.
Recitation—"Declamation,"	Earl Hutchins.
Recitation—"When I am a Woman,"	Alice Jule.
Recitation—"Drafted,"	Wiley Bridges.
Singing—"Only an Armor Bearer,"	Emma Eldridge.
Recitation—"The Boys of the World,"	Joshua Smith.
Singing—"The Blackbird,"	Clara and Alice Snow.
Recitation—"My Experience,"	Nola Snow.
Singing—"Lean Sweetly on Jesus,"	Choir.
An address to the audience by	Nettie Bridges.
Singing—"America,"	Congregation.

After the concert the tree was stripped of the good things brought by Santa Claus; the house was densely packed and as many were outside, unable to enter. Much credit is due Mr. Alfred Smith and the committee for this enjoyable time. Mr. Smith is an earnest, self-denying worker in the Sabbath school which has prospered greatly under his superintendency. We trust the next Christmas entertainment will be in a church. GLEANER.

Dec. 27.

North Bucksport.

A well-filled house in the M. E. church listened to an interesting Christmas service on Sunday evening. The following is the order of exercises:

Singing Anthem.	Choir.
Singing—"Joy to the World, the Lord is Come."	Choir.
Prayer and Scripture Reading.	Pastor.
Singing—"Wondrous love of Jesus."	Choir.
Recitation—"Christmas,"	Georgie Robinson.
Singing—"The Garden of the Lord."	Choir.
Recitation—"Kitty and Chris,"	Mamie Stowsland.
Singing—"Jesus, Lover of My Soul," solo,	Mrs. F. Curtis.
Recitation—"What the Angels Sang,"	Alice Miles.
Singing—"Believe in the Lord."	Choir.
Recitation—"Christmas morn,"	Lula Dean.
Singing—"Able to Save,"	Choir.
Recitation—"Story of the Olden time,"	Fannie Marshals
Singing—"Waiting at the Portal,"	Choir.
Address—"Christmas Thoughts,"	Rev. R. L. Nanton.
Singing Anthem.	
Benediction.	

Much credit is due Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Lowell and Mrs. Frank Arey, as also Messrs. Ballard and Lowell for the tasty decorations in church, as also to the choir, Messrs. Chipman, Curtis, Emerson and Ballard, Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Charles Arey with Mrs. Frank Arey as organist, for their services and appropriate pieces sung.

It is expected that Rev. D. B. Phelan, of Surry, will preach here the first Sunday in January, Mr. Nanton taking his place in Surry, also Rev. Mr. Lowell of East Bucksport the third Sunday, and Rev. Mr. Fernald of Bucksport the fourth Sunday. Miss Wilson of the Seminary will speak the third Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Nanton will preach at Winterport M. E. Church at the watch night service. GLEANER.

Dec. 27.

South Brooksville.

Frank B. Condon, while chopping kilnwood, cut his leg quite severely just below the knee.

The "Olive Avery" of Sedgwick, landed some freight for R. H. Condon the twenty-sixth.

The schooners Jerome Howard and Provincetown are nearly loaded with kiln-wood.

It was as warm as summer Christmas day.

There is no snow and wheeling is bad.

The Electa touched here the twenty-eighth for the first time and will probably make two trips per week, until the "Reach" freezes over. E.

Sunset.

Mr. Thomas Cole and family of Crotch Island have been visiting relatives at this place for a few days.

The Island Home Lodge, I. O. G. T. at West Deer Isle, initiated seven members Saturday evening. The lodge now has sixty-four members.

Rev. Mr. Gleason delivered a very interesting sermon at the chapel Wednesday evening.

A Christmas tree at the school-house at Sunset, Monday evening, also one at the chapel Tuesday evening.

Mr. Ross Stinson of Stinson's Neck is visiting his sister, Mrs. Thos. Powers.

The poverty ball at the rink at North West Harbor was largely attended and all report a good time.

A Sunday school concert was given at the chapel Christmas eve. The declamations were all rendered very finely by the speakers. COLUMBUS.

Dec. 29.

—The British will build permanent forts before withdrawing from Suakim.

Goulds'boro.

Politics ain't much now. The bottom has dropped out of the Democrats.

E. G. Guptill has returned from Boston where he has been in the employment of C. Tilden, Esq., architect and carpenter.

Deer killing is taking a rest. Fifteen or more have been killed in this town this fall, which should encourage us to respect the law in close time.

The outlook for the winter is rather discouraging. Wood and lumber are getting used up. The clam bed, however, is still with us as a last resort.

Your correspondent prophesies an open winter because we had a cold summer. There is nothing in squirrels nor muskrats.

We all seriously regret the loss of the Silver Star.

Isn't it about time for some one to speak of the Shore Line railroad?

We congratulate the AMERICAN on its improved conditions. May it continue on and on.

The days have increased three minutes. Dec. 28. NOSREME.

Winter Harbor.

The Guptill family met with Mrs. Lavina Tracy at the Baker Cottage, the "old homestead," on Christmas day and partook of a bountiful dinner, furnished by the different members of the family. There were twenty-three present. The aged father, 92 years of age, whose mind is much impaired, is in very feeble health, and will no doubt spend his next Christmas with the loved ones gone before. His wife is 86 years old, and it is touching to see how assiduous she is in her attentions to her companion; not willing one wish shall remain ungratified, however unreasonable it may be. In the evening a Christmas tree loaded with useful and beautiful presents gladdened the hearts of every member.

There was a Christmas tree at the Town Hall on Christmas night, and many were the recipients of elegant gifts. The pastor and family were kindly remembered by many useful and ornamental presents. A beautiful quilt, with the givers' names written on each square, will always remind them of their year's sojourn at Winter Harbor. Our teacher, Mr. Coffin, was not forgotten by his scholars, showing that they appreciate his earnest endeavors in the arduous task he has to perform.

Another family tree we hear of at the house of Peley Tracy.

John Foss and Morris Pendleton are home on a vacation from Commercial College at Boston, where they have been some three months.

We hear of a lady in this village, in one of the weekly "clean ups" that all housekeepers have to perform, found a quantity of rend rock, and was in the act of burning it with uplifted stove cover, when her husband timely came to the rescue, preventing a sad, if not fatal, catastrophe.

Jan 1. PUBL.

North Hancock.

Christmas passed very quietly here. On Xmas eve there was an Xmas tree at the school-house. A large number of people were present.

Mrs. Sarah A. Norris is visiting friends in Bluehill.

Mr. Alonzo Day and family of Ellsworth, have moved into a part of the house formerly occupied by Mr. James Brown.

The Sunday school has been discontinued until the first of May.

Mr. Henry E. Dow, formerly of this place, was recently married to Miss Hannah Freberg of Lawrence, Mass. He has the hearty congratulations of his many friends.

Mr. Charles Shaw is spending a few weeks in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lowrie spent Xmas with Mrs. Lowrie's father, in Eastbrook.

A very Happy New Year to editor, correspondents and readers of the "AMERICAN." SUMAC.

Dec. 31.

The Forum for December.

In the *Forum* for December Archdeacon Farrar explains in detail Tolstoi's religious teachings, how the soldier and great novelist now finds contentment, hope, health and blessedness, in the life of a peasant, and the toil of a shoemaker, and the archdeacon points out with many illustrations the error of making so rigid an interpretation of the letter of the teachings of Jesus. The article is the judgment of the highest Protestant ecclesiastical authority on the most remarkable religious enthusiast of the time. This number contains several articles of scientific interest, notably Dr. Austin Flint's announcement of "A Possible Revolution in Medicine," wherein he explains the probability of preventing all infectious diseases.—*The Forum Publishing Co.*, 253 Fifth Ave., N. Y., 50 cts a number; $5 a year.

—The articles in *Harper's Magazine* for January are sure to provoke discussion. "The Clergy and the Times," by Archdeacon Mackay-Smith, lays hold of the important question of how the churches are affected by present tendencies. The impartial statement and clear analysis of the situation recommend the essay to clergy and laymen alike, and the suggestions for rendering the work of the churches more effective deserve the thoughtful consideration of all who are interested in the religious outlook of this country. The other article referred to deals with a perennial subject of discussion; but the mass of indifferent contributions to the literature upon the Irish Question does not spoil people's appetite for such a valuable essay as Mr. Commissioner Mac Carthy, Dublin, has written upon "Manufacturing Industry in Ireland." The important literary features of the number are Gen. Lew Wallace's powerful historical drama, "Commodus," illustrated by J. R. Weguelin in his best manner, and the first instalment of Constance Fenimore Woolson's new novel "Jupiter Lights," which promises to be a substantial advance even upon her former works.

—The Christmas *Wide Awake* is so bright and beautiful that Santa Claus may be suspected to have written and illustrated it himself; at any rate, some of the private doings of Santa's household have got into the magazine. "Goody Santa Claus," by Katharine Lee Bates, with its dozen jolly pictures, is a regular fireside chronicle of "Father Christmas" and his folks. Margaret Sidney opens her new Peppers serial in this number.

Only $2.40 a year. D. Lothrop Company, Boston.

—If the *Atlantic Monthly* continues throughout 1889 to give its readers as charming a variety of really good articles as appear in its January number, both editor and public are to be congratulated. Mr. James's new novel "The Tragic Muse," opens the number most worthily; the editor himself, Mr. Thomas Bailey Aldrich, has a poem of the Gloucester fisherfolk, "Alec Yeaton's Son;" Margaret Deland, author of "that much-talked-of book, "John Ward, Preacher," contributes a short story called "Mr. Tommy Dove." Palm Sunday in Puebla de los Angeles" is described (with a thrilling incident about a criminal at confession) characteristically enough by F. Hopkinson Smith. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.

State News.

—The annual session of the Maine Pedagogical society began in Auburn, Thursday.

—H. S. Houghton, a hardware dealer of Wilton and a prominent citizen in the town, was knocked down in the street by some unknown person Saturday night, Dec. 22, after locking up his store. He is now violently insane and it is not known whether he can recover or not. Robbery is the supposed motive.

—A fire in the Bath Iron works Saturday evening, Dec. 22, did damage to the extent of $10,000.

—The governor and council met Wednesday and will continue in session until Governor Burleigh is inaugurated. The council refused to confirm the nomination of Dr. J. O. H. Burnham to be special liquor constable in York county.

—Governor Marble has appointed the following commissioners to attend the celebration of Washington's inauguration in New York, April 20: James G. Blaine, Arthur Sewall, Payson Tucker, Judge Artemus Libby, Judge John A. Peters, W. L. Putnam, Ex-Governor Seldon Connor, Lewis Barker and Charles F. Libby.

—M. C. Frost, a farmer of Winthrop, who lives in the westerly section of the town, was knocked down in his barn and terribly beaten, bound, gagged and robbed, Thursday evening, by two men. Fortunately he was discovered before life had expired. He was badly cut about the head and neck and his condition is dangerous.

—Hon. George C. Wing, of Auburn, has given a lot of land in that city for the erection of a hospital.

—A reward of $500 has been offered for the apprehension of the man who knocked down and robbed H. S. Houghton, of Wilton, Saturday night, Dec. 22. It is now thought that Mr. Houghton will recover. Moore, arrested on suspicion, has been released.

National News.

—The steamer Kate Adams was burned on the Mississippi river the 23rd, and thirty-five passengers were lost.

—An explosion of dynamite wrecked a village in Ohio the 23rd.

—Half a ton of powder exploded at Mount Pleasant, Ohio, the 24th, wounding many persons, killing one man and doing great damage.

—Two persons were killed and thirteen injured in a collision of passenger trains at Bardstown Junction, Ky., the 24th.

—The local Coopers' Assembly, No. 2,309, has withdrawn from the Knights of Labor.

—The story of a plot to assassinate President Cleveland at the beginning of his Administration was made public the 24th ult.

—The steamer John H. Hanna burned on the Mississippi river at Plaquemine, La., the 25th ult., and thirty lives were lost and many persons were badly burned.

—A Central Pacific train was "held up" by robbers at Clipper Gap, in the Sierras, and robbed.

—Factories, dwelling houses and other property, covering three acres, were destroyed by fire in Cincinnati the 25th ult. Total loss, over $500,000.

—John Martin, mate of the schooner Annie Carl, at Atlantic City, was killed Christmas day, by a drunken negro, who was arrested.

—General Harrison spent Christmas day quietly at home.

—The remains of General Logan were Wednesday removed from Hutchinson vault in Rock Creek cemetery in Washington, where they were placed a week less than two years ago, to the new Logan chapel at the National Soldier's Home cemetery.

Foreign News.

—Sir Francis De Wilton does not believe Stanley and Emin are captives. Tippoo Tib's messengers reached Zanzibar with letters from Stanley dated to August 25. The Government of the Congo State discredits the story of the arrival of the two explorers at the Arawhimi. The Emin Relief Expedition, in Germany, will start out in February.

—Emperor William has resumed his journeys through the Empire.

—Sir R. D. Morier, British Ambassador at St. Petersburg, has asked Prince Bismarck for an official contradiction of the charges made against him in connection with the Franco-German war.

—It is believed in Paris that Senator Sherman, if he becomes Secretary of State, will offer Mr. Blaine the French mission.

—The Republic of Hayti has delivered to the Galena and Yantic the seized American steamer Haytien Republic, whereupon the American men-of-war saluted Hayti's flag. Legitime has been elected President and will proceed against the insurgents.

—The Chamber of Deputies of Italy authorized a credit of 145,000,000 lire for defenses.

—Despatches to the Congo State confirm the report of the arrival of Stanley and Emin on the Arawhimi.

—The British Parliament was prorogued the 24th inst.

—The protection of French fisheries was recently discussed in the Chamber of Deputies.

—The Pope's late address to the Sacred College contained a plea for restoration of the Papal supremacy.

—Henry A. Blake has been appointed Governor of Jamaica.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain have arrived at Birmingham.

Lord Tennyson is making good progress toward complete recovery. He is in excellent spirits.

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Mulberry, S. C., Oct. 29, 1888.

Bills.

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Greenwood, S. C., Oct. 29, 1888.

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City and County.

—1889.

—A Happy New Year to all.

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—A new bell is about to be placed in the church belfry at South Hancock.

—Mrs. Sarah Hall and her daughter are to spend the winter in Massachusetts.

—Miss Phebe D. Macomber who has been seriously ill, is now improving.

—Mrs. Annie S. Cummings of Sullivan is now in Boston and is going to Minneapolis to spend the winter.

—We are glad to know that Mrs. Lafayette Davis, who has been ill for several months, is now able to be out, and is fast regaining her previous good health.

—While Alonzo Bennett was on his way from Hancock Corner to his home near by, one night recently, he was waylaid by two unknown men, knocked down and robbed of about six dollars. His face was badly bruised says the Bar Harbor *Record*.

—Mr. Frank Whalen of Washington Territory, is in this city visiting his brother, Mr Samuel Whalen.

—The regular meeting of Lygonia Lodge for the election of officers will be held this (Wednesday) evening. A full attendance is requested.

—Very extensive repairs are being made on the rooms recently vacated by the AMERICAN. These improvements will consist in part of new floors, ceilings, paint, paper, &c.

—E. C. Parker while dressing one of the carthoses which he recently shot at Roach river, found cut on the horn an N, and he is anxious to know how it came there. The boys are trying to make him believe that he has shot a tame caribou, but he denies the charge.—*Bar Harbor News.*

—Mr. Hugh McVeigh of East Orland, who was so badly wounded in both arms a few weeks since by the accidental discharge of his rifle, walked to the village Saturday, Dec. 22. The wounds are healing nicely but he can use his arms but little as yet.

—People who are using coal stoves should be very careful and look out for the drafts. The papers are full of accidents from coal gas, but we hope but Ellsworth will have no such casualties to report.

—Gov. Burleigh will attend the G. A. R. entertainment in Lewiston, Feb. 7-8th. Hon. Hannibal Hamlin has been invited. It will be a big time as a big crowd.

—Judge I. A. Emery of Ellsworth, passed several days last St. John recently, on business.

—E. H. Grover has sold a year old colt by his stallion Jake Patchen to Mr. William M. Roberts of our Harbor, for $250. He has refused $125 for his one year old Wilkes colt. Mr. Grover, who is one of our best judges of the noble animal, says that his Wilkes promises to make a fast trotter.

—Senator Farrill and Representative Wiswell left for Augusta Monday. Several other Representatives from various parts of the county gathered Lucy to take the train.

—We hear that Dr. Manning, formerly of Surry, has set out to settle in this city to practise medicine.

—Mrs. Javell of Portland, who has been in this city or about a week visiting her brother, Dr. S. S. Wiggin, left for home Monday. Her husband accompanied her here, but returned home again after a visit of a day or two.

—The new time table of the Mt. Desert Branch went into effect on Monday morning last. It makes two changes in the arrival and departure trains to and from this city. The evening train from the Ferry arrives one hour earlier and the evening train from Bangor arrives twelve minutes later. See table in another column.

—Of all presents received on Christmas day at Franklin, there was none more heartily appreciated than that by Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bisbell, in the form of a nine pound boy who immediately christened Christopher Carre Bisbell. We tender our hearty congratulations to the happy parents.

—While Mr. George Eaton was arranging the saw for blast, at Eaton & Grant's quarry on Crotch Island, Deer Isle, Monday, a premature explosion took place, by which Mr. E. was thrown to the air, and severely bruised about the face and head. It is feared he will entirely lose his eyesight, reports the Rockland *Opinion.*

—There has been a great demand for vessels to take stone cargoes to Boston and other ports the past week. One captain estimated that thirty vessels could have chartered here Friday.—*Bar Harbor News.*

—We display following from the recent report of the sheriff of jails: The Hancock County jail Ellsworth is also a new brick building, with jailer's house in connection, all in good condition, well adapted to the requirements and apparently well arranged. The food prepard at the jailer's home is of good quality. Whole number in jail Nov. 30, '87, —; whole number in jail Nov. 30, '88, 6; whole number in jail for year '88, 50; males, 47; females, 3; poor debtors, 7; escaped, 1; committed for drunkenness, 28; committed for selling intoxicating liquor, 2.

—Hon. T. J. Veazie of Bangor, spent a few days in this city last week, where he was engaged before the Insolvency court.

—Commencing Monday, the Boston and Bangor Steamship Company will enter upon the two trips per week arrangement. The steamer Penobscot will be withdrawn from the route, and the Katahdin will run throughout the winter.

—A young lady of Ellsworth, who sent a miniature bered of chewing gum to a young lady friend, as a Christmas present, received the following *musical* reply:

You stole just the right *note* to herd with my digestive organs, especially as we had a goose partly roasted evening, farina dinner, during which all our sentences were full—no *roots.* Your little barr-tab (or barrel) at the end would disdain—in unison, which means as a good musical *scale* in *polecat.* I think it was in the *key of Bass* Line, Manic, Nun & Lee, U. L. *Moss Grass*—a movement—with tide.—Thank.

—The newspaper which has been put up this fall, by W. G. Sargent & Son at Sargentville, and which is to be used by them for preserving eggs, is completed. It is estimated that it will hold from twenty to twenty-five thousand den eggs, one hundred tons of ice and thirty tons of sawdust.

—The Bucksport grammar school commenced its winter term last Monday, Dec. 31st, and the other grades will commence the following Monday, Jan. 7th. The schools will be run on standard time, opening at 8:30 A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

—In an old one Bible owned by Lander W. Bowden, of West Penobscot, we find the following Record: "Moses bigwadoo January 2nd 1786. A *Remembrandum* of the Age of Mr. Paul Bowden and his family. Mr. Paul Bowden was born November 11th 1725; Prudence Bowden was born April 23rd 1750; Caleb Bowden was born December 14th 1772; Lydia Bowden February 20th 1754; Elizabeth Bowden was born January 5th 1759; Paul Bowden was born October 13th 1768; Theodor Bowden was born June 2nd 1774."—*Clipper.*

—Mr. S. N. Lunt, Bucksport's oldest milkman, has been in the business more than twenty years, and has not lost a day on the route during the time. He keeps from twenty to twenty-four cows, and finds ready sale for all they produce in milk, cream and butter.

—Mr. Sumner Fifield has opened a shop over Haynes' map market, Main street, where he makes and repairs robes, blankets and camp spreads. He also makes carpets to order.

—Our venerable citizen and valued correspondent, Hon. Jno. L. Moor, received as a Christmas present from his daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Brown, Sioux City, Dakota, several articles manufactured from a peculiar stone, which they have in that territory, and which they call "jasper." The stone is ground up and then manufactured into various articles including jewelry, paper-cutters, &c. It takes a high polish and is in great demand for building purpose. Mr. Moor's presents are great curiosities.

—Mrs. Martha Avery and daughter left this city Saturday for Boston, where they will spend the winter. They only expect to make their future home in the vicinity of Boston. They have been good citizens and will be greatly missed in the city.

—Judge John I. Redman received a Christmas present which is very interesting as a relic of the war. It is a cane made from some of the original wood of the "Kearsarge" and which was in her at the time of her memorable fight with the "Alabama." The wood was taken from the Kearsarge during her recent repairs at the Portsmouth Navy Yard. The head of the cane, which is in the form of a cannon and has beeiver-plated, was manufactured from a composition bolt taken from the Kearsarge's bolt. This present, so valuable for the associations connected with it of historical interest, from the Chief Engineer of the Portsmouth Navy Yard.

—Mrs. W. O. McDonald and her son Willie, are spending a few weeks in Boston and other towns.

—Do not fail to read the interesting letter on our first page from Greeley, Colorado. It is from the pen of Rev. R. W. Savage.

—Miss Lillian Presby, after a pleasant visit to friends in Boston for the past two months, has returned home.

—We are indebted to one of Ellsworth's champion hunters, Dr. W. M. Haines, for an excellent roast of venison. Thanks, Doctor. It is not often the privilege of the editor to enjoy such luxuries, and we shall live a good deal while it lasts.

—Miss Nellie Nevell, who for several years has been a faithful and valued compositor in this office, has gone to Massachusetts to spend the winter, and to enjoy a well-earned and much-needed vacation. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Maggie A. Nevell.

—The steamer Bluehill made her last trip for the season to this city on Saturday last, returning to Rockland on Monday. She has given excellent satisfaction and has proved very popular.

—Game Warden Allen of Bangor paid our city a visit on Friday last, looking after the violators of the game laws and the recent great game seizure at Bangor.

—Bucksport has adopted standard time "for better or for worse, so long as they both shall live," and we wish Ellsworth would do likewise. The longer we retain the two standards the more we have of "confusion worse confused."

—Officers elect of Esoteric Lodge, F. & A. M., of this city, C. R. Foster, W. M.; W. J. Logan, S. W.; J. W. Nealley, J. W.; R. F. Sweeney, S. D.; E. R. Morang, J. D.; A. R. Black, Treas.; J. A. McGown, Sec'y.

—D. L. Weare Post, No. 89, G. A. R., will meet at their headquarters, East Sullivan, Saturday evening of this week, at which time the Post will be inspected and the officers-elect installed by assistant inspector B. T. Atherton, of Mt. Desert. A general attendance is desired.

—Mr. Burton Buck has gone to South Easton, Mass., to engage in business during the winter and perhaps permanently.

—There will be a "mother's meeting" at the residence of Mrs. J. P. Whitmore, next Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 8, at two o'clock, standard, to which all the ladies are cordially invited. The subject for discussion will be "Hereditary."

—The schools in district No 3, will commence a week from next Monday, and the High school next Monday.

—A horse belonging to Mr Luther Hastings ran away down Main street this (Wednesday) morning, and jumped on a jigger which was standing by the sidewalk ahead of him, came to a halt thereon, the carriage to which he was attached remaining on the street. The horse was unharnessed and led off between the wheels. The damage was slight.

—The Christmas doll sold by E. E. Joy jeweller, to the person guessing nearest to its real weight, doesn't know to whom it belongs. Isaac Jordan, Frank Moore and Joseph H. Smith all guessing equally near to its weight, which is 13 pounds.

—A petition will be presented at the next legislature for a charter for the Mount Desert and Tremont Steam Ferry Co. The intention is to run a ferry between Northeast Harbor and Southwest Harbor at the entrance to Somes Sound.

—Mrs. W. F. Heath arrived in New York week before last, per steamer Lundulf with her husband who was stricken down with paralysis in Cardiff, Eng. Capt. Heath will be cared for at the hospital in New York.

—We hear that the steamer Silver Star has been raised, got alongside of a wharf in Portsmouth and that Capt. W. H. Parker passed through this city on Monday morning last, to take charge of her.

—At a recent meeting of Bar Harbor Lodge, F. & A. M., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: R. L. Hadley, W. M.; A. J. Grant, W. S.; Wm. Richardson, J. W.; Edgar Brewer, Sec.; E. H. Higgins, Treas.; H. E. Wakefield, S. D.; John Conners, J. D.; C. S. Leffingwell, Chaplain, and John Hopkins, Marshal. A committee was also appointed to make arrangements for the annual installation and ball which will take place about the middle of January.

—At the annual meeting of Ellsworth Council No. 267, Royal Arcanum, held on Monday evening last, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: W. R. Whittle, Regent; E. K. Hopkins, Vice Regent; A. H. Bellatty, Orator; Geo. H. Brooks, Guide; Geo. W. Bragdon, Treasurer; S. D. Wiggin, Collector; J. C. Chilcott, Secretary; F. B. Aiken, Chaplain; Lewis Friend, Warden; H. B. Saunders, Sentry; F. B. Aiken, H. B. Saunders, S. D. Wiggin, Trustees; J. E. Parsons, W. R. Whittle, H. B. Saunders, Finance Committee.

—The First National Bank of Ellsworth, publishes in another column a statement of the financial condition of the bank at the close of business December 31st ult., as the result of its first year's transactions. This statement shows the bank to be sound, strong and highly prosperous with the largest business of any bank in the State of the same capital. In one year's time it has added twelve per cent. to its capital as an available surplus, and to still further increase the strength and solidity of the bank, the directors have voted to make no division of profits at present, but to retain in the bank all the earnings as additional security. The officers and stockholders have every reason to be proud of the success of the bank.

—The proposed new breakwater at Bar Harbor now seems to be an assured thing. The situation at present is as follows: Fifty thousand dollars were appropriated in the last session of Congress, and $20,000 are provided in the present bill which will probably pass during the winter session. The estimated cost of the work when completed, is something over $400,000, and work will be commenced on it next April. The breakwater will extend from Cromwell's Harbor to the Bald Porcupine, and will require several years to complete it. Besides being a great convenience to shipping, the breakwater during the course of its erection will increase the local business of Bar Harbor and bring considerable money into the place.

—A sad drowning accident occurred at Seal Harbor Saturday, Dec. 22. A *Herald* reporter sends the following particulars: As the lobster smack running from this place to Portland was leaving the harbor, her captain, Gamage, of South Bristol, by some mishap was knocked overboard while jibing the mainsail. W. S. Smallidge happened to notice there was something wrong in the management of the sloop and at the same time saw a boat leave her with only one man. He at once got his brother and Capt. Pinkham, manned a boat and after a hard row caught the sloop which was have to. The man in the boat had been lost sight of in the vapor but they luckily found him without much trouble. He was in an exhausted condition, with his boat half full of water and the vapor so thick upon the water that it was only possible to see a short distance ahead, while the temperature was only six degrees above zero. The man in the boat proved to be a son of Capt. Gamage and he could have withstood the cold but a short time longer. Searching parties have been sweeping for the body at every favorable chance since the accident and if found it will be immediately forwarded to South Bristol, where the deceased resided. He was about forty-five years of age and leaves a wife and four children. The only son was the one who was with him on this trip. He came very near meeting the same fate as his father.—*Mt. Desert Herald.*

—Capt. T. G. Lunt, of Tremont, master of schooner Montezuma, of Calais, who arrived at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, the 26th ult., with three of his crew, gives the details of the loss of his vessel as follows: The schooner was 78 tons, 38 years old, owned by Boardman Bros. & Eaton, of Calais. December 14th the Montezuma left Machias for Boston, with lumber. Soon after, during a heavy north-north-west wind, was struck by a large sea, which carried away the only boat. The schooner then began to leak badly and the deck load being frozen together it could not be thrown overboard. The men were driven from the cabin and all the fresh water spoiled by the sea. They had to hang their provisions to the main boom, but this got under water and for seven days the only food the crew had was a quarter of fresh beef, only partially cooked. The only water the men had to drink was a little caught in a bucket during a rain shower. The cold was intense and the captain and two men had their feet badly frozen. On the second day of the storm the schooner's stern, with rudder and bawsers, was carried away and the sea washed through the deck house. December 18th the head stays gave away and both masts went overboard. On the 21st the schooner Edward D. rescued the helpless crew and carried them to Yarmouth. The rescued men are: Capt. T. G. Lunt, T. Lunt, Fred G. Commice and Harvey Hurd. The captain and Hurd have their feet badly frozen. The crew saved nothing from the wreck.

Necrology of Ellsworth.

The following is a partial list of the deaths in Ellsworth with dates and ages of deceased, during the year 1888:

John Bunker, Jan. 12, aged 68 years.
Grafton Carter, Jan. 18, aged 3 years.
John Drummey, Jan. 31, aged 68 years.
Mrs. Ivory L. Brown, Jan. 31, aged 54 years.
Nahum Joy, Feb. 14, aged 66 years.
Mrs. Sterling Haynes, Feb. 17, aged 60 years.
Walter D. Sinclair, Feb. 19, aged 7 months.
Josiah B. Adams, Feb. 22, aged 80 years.
Aphia Jones, Feb. 23, aged 79 years.
Dora Cunningham, Feb. 27, aged 3 years.
George Irving Giles, Mar. 11, aged 2 years.
Dr. Alexander Fulton, Mar. 7, aged 73 years.
Frankie Lullum, Mar. 8, aged 13 years.
Miss Jean A. Cushman, Mar. 19, aged 24 years.
Mrs. Margaret Divine, Mar. 16, aged 76 years.
Dennis Kalady, Mar. 19, aged 86 years.
Mrs. Nathaniel Moore, Apr. 6, aged 76 years.
Mrs. Margaret Turner, Apr. 9, aged 84 years.
Elisha Tourtelotte, Apr. 19, aged 73 years.
James M. Moore, Apr. 29, aged 39 years.
Orison Call, May 2, aged 62 years.
Oliver P. Thomas, May 4, aged 62 years.
Capt. James Tate, May 8, aged 62 years.
Annie May Fifield, May 9, aged 10 years.
George Pierson, May 18, aged 55 years.
James Laffin, May 18, aged 76 years.
John M. Joy, May 20, aged 50 years.
Michael Sargent, May 27, aged 76 years.
Mrs. Dyer P. Jordan, June 2, aged 73 years.
Mrs. Flora A. Lyman, June 3, aged 27 years.
Mrs. William Duffee, June 11, aged 67 years.
Mrs. Zabud Foster, June 16, aged 66 years.
Mrs. Ambrose S. Campbell, June 16, aged 61 years.
Joseph A. Norris, Aug. 17, aged 50 years.
Lizzie M. Wood, Sept. 2, aged 21 years.
Nora Whaling, Sept. 4, aged 12 years.
Michael A. Lee, Sept. 10, aged 29 years.
Mrs. Mary E. Dorman, Sept. 17, aged 72 years.
Mrs. Caroline McCollum, Sept. 20, aged 76 years.
Dea. Thomas Lufkin, Sept. 21, aged 86 years.
Mrs. Lurana M. Anderson, Sept. 28, aged 64 years.
Mrs. Susan R. Watts, Oct. 9, aged 71 years.
Willie H. Moore, Oct. 26, aged 24 years.
Mrs. Dorothy L. Joy, Oct. 25, aged 62 years.
William Duffee, Nov. 23, aged 79 years.
Mrs. Betsey T. Hall, Dec. 1, aged 76 years.
Mrs. Frances E. Lowerie, Dec. 12, aged 55 years.
Mrs. Henry C. Forsaith, Dec. 16, aged 38 years.

The Week of Prayer.

JANUARY 6-13, 1889.

There will be union meetings during the the week of prayer as follows:

Sunday evening with the Methodist church; Monday evening with the Congregational church; Tuesday evening with the Baptist church; Wednesday evening with the Congregational church; Thursday evening with the Free Baptist church; Friday evening with the Methodist church; Saturday evening no meeting appointed; Sunday evening with the Baptist church.

The week of prayer topics and texts are given below; but these are designed to suggest only the general theme for each evening to which remarks and prayers need not be strictly confined. It is especially desired that these meetings there should be fuller participation than usual on the part of the lay element of our churches. The endeavor will be to make the meetings eminently Gospel in tone. There will be each evening a short praise service in which the assistance of those who can sing is earnestly requested. All are cordially invited to attend all the meetings of the week.

The following are the topics for the Week of Prayer, as sent out from New York by the Evangelical Alliance:

Sunday, Jan. 6.—SERMONS. Arise, shine; for thy light is come, etc. Isa. lx: 1. Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ. Rom. xiii. 14. Without me you can do nothing. John xv. 5. I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me. Phil. iv. 13.

Monday, Jan. 7.—THANKSGIVING AND CONFESSION. For the individual, the family, the church, the community, and the nation. Thanksgiving: Ps. ciii. 1-5; Ps. cxvi. 12-19; Neh. xii: 43, 0 confession: Hos. xiv. 1, 2; 1 John i: 8, 9; Ps. xxxii. 1-5; 2 Sam. xii: 13.

Tuesday, Jan. 8.—THE HOLY SPIRIT, Offices: John xvi. 7-15; Joel ii. 28. Gifts: 1 Cor. xii. 7-11. Fruits: Gal. v. 22, 23. Experience: Rom. viii. 1-16. Luke xxiv. 49; Acts i. 4, 8; i. 1-4.

Wednesday, Jan. 9.—THE FAMILY AND THE CHURCH. For parents, children, masters, and servants. Deut. vi. 1-7; Eph. vi. 1-9; 2 Tim. i. 5. For ministers, officers, and members: For Christ-likeness in heart and life; for increased activity, personal and associated; for sunday schools; for association of young men and young women; for all forms of church work; for the ministry of the word. Ps. lxviii. 11; Isa. lxi. 1-3; Luke iv. 18; John iv. 35-38; Joel ii. 28; John xvii: 20-23.

Thursday, Jan. 10.—REFORMS. For the abolition of the manufacture, importation, sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage; for the suppression of the opium traffic; for the repeal of all laws which protect vice; for the sanctification of the Lord's day; for social purity, and all other needed reforms. Prov. xxiii. 29-32; Rom. iii. 8; Hab. ii. 15 and ii. 19; Mal. iii. 5; Ex. xx. 8-11; Ps. xc. 12-17; Ps. cxxii. 6; Ex. xx: 14; Matt. v: 28; 1 Cor. iii: 16, 17.

Friday, Jan. 11.—MISSIONS. City: Luke xix: 41; xxiii: 47-49; Isa. lviii: 12. Home: Mark vi: 38, 39; Luke viii: 1; xv: 1. Foreign: Mark xvi: 15; John iv: 35, 36; Luke x: 2; Isa. lx: 5.

Saturday, Jan. 12.—NATIONS. For peace and prosperity, both temporal and spiritual; for civil and religious liberty; for rulers, legislators, and judges, and for all in authority; for just laws and their impartial enforcement; for nations suffering injustice at the hands of oppressors; for the removal of international and class antagonisms and jealousies; for purity in national life. Ps. lxxvii: Rom. xiii: 2-7; 1 Pet. ii: 13-15; Jas. v: 4; 1 Col. iv: 1.

Sunday, Jan. 13.—SERMONS. 1 Cor. iii: 9; 1 Cor. xvi: 58.

—From the report of the Ellsworth High school, for the term ending Dec. 14, 1888, we give the names of class leaders, with their rank in study and deportment as follows: Senior class: Eva E. Aiken, 95—100 and Bennie B. Whitcomb, 95—100; second class: Hoyt A. Moore, 99—98; third class: Leamon E. Moore, 99—98; fourth class: Arthur J. Hasting, 96—100. The following is the

ROLL OF HONOR.

Aiken, Eva E.	Eshenagucia, Lucy N.
Chilcott, Edo M.	Flood, Fred W.
Gaynor, Maggie F.	Morrison, Willie W.
Grindal, Nellie G.	Moore, Hoyt A.
Hayes, Mary A.	Scott, John A.
Macomber, Arthur L.	Scammon, Helen G.
Mullan, Lizzie C.	Stockbridge, Hen. B.
Osgood, Harry W.	Beal, Chas. A.
Stanwood, Idella B.	Bartlett Marion L.
Whitcomb, Bennie B.	Drake, Maude L.
Brown Hattie I.	Joy, Annie L.
Brooks, Willie G.	Moore, Leamon E.
Burnham, Katie L.	McFarland, Annie L.
Davis, Mary F.	Ladin, Katie E.
Mullan, Mary J.	Lord, Everett W.
Stanwood, Maude C.	McDonald, Mary H.
Whittaker, Irving M.	Moore, Mary J.
Austin, Addie M.	Osgood, Emma C.
Bresnahan, Louisa B.	Parsons, Ethel K.
Brown, Bertha B.	Packard, George E.
Cook, Eva M.	Stover, Cassie J.
Douglass, Inez E.	Salsbury, Addie R.
Foster, George S.	Smith, Hattie R.
Greenan, Carrie G.	Joy, Grace A.
Greenan, Katie A.	Osgood, Lucy
Hastings, Gertrude H.	Harden, Leon D.
Hastings, Arthur J.	

Explanation.—The rank is on a scale of 100. A rank of at least 70 is required in each study, otherwise the delinquent is "conditioned" in the deficient study or studies. In deportment, below 85 is *unsatisfactory;* below 80 is *bad.* The roll of honor comprises the names of those having a rank of at least 90, with 90 or more in deportment.

Ellsworth City Directory.

W. F. Stanwood has a few directories saved from the fire which he is rebinding in half calf for future generations. It is a good book for reference. Blank paper will be inserted for making additions, etc. Sent postpaid on receipt of $1. P. O. Box 141. Ellsworth, Maine.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our gratitude to our many friends for the numerous and substantial tokens of their friendship received at Christmas.

H. W. NORTON,
F. P. NORTON.

A Card.

The undersigned takes this method of tendering his thanks to the people of West Bay for Chistmas remembrances, especially for the proceeds of a donation party held at the home of Simeon Rolfe. For this generous gift of cash and useful articles he is deeply grateful. To Simeon Rolfe and family for opening their home to the donors; to the many friends who contributed, and to Messrs. Roscoe G. Young and John Stevens for Christmas turkeys, I now hereby record my deep gratitude. May God bless the kind friends of West Bay, especially the young people, is the earnest wish of

JAMES F. NOWLAN.

Dec. 26.

—The famous McGilbeny family who have won for themselves a marked popularity, will give one of their entertainments at Hancock Hall, in this city, the 26th inst. Below we print some brief testimonials in their favor.

The McGilbeny Family pleased our people much, every one delighted.

G. B. WHEELER.
Opera House, Bellows Falls, Vt., Dec. 25.

LEBANON, N. H., Dec. 27, '88.

The McGilbenys, I venture to say, are as fine as anything that will visit Maine this season. Played here last night and every one was delighted. Give them a good house, they are worthy of it.

Yours,
W. W. KIMBALL,
Manager.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 29, '88.

The McGilbeny Family gave a fine concert here last evening. They are all skilled musicians.

Very truly,
B. C. WHITE.

The McGilbeny Family are extra good.

Yours, C. P. STEVENS,
Manager Opera House.

Franklin Falls, N. H., Dec. 28.

The McGilbeny Family travel in a private car. It is undoubtedly one of the largest and finest cars in the country, being 74 feet in length and costing $22,000. In the rear is located the kitchen, with range, water heaters and lockers; and next to the kitchen, reached by a hall which extends to the drawing room beyond, is the pantry. Above the pantry are located the water tanks, and back of the pantry is the drawing room with couches, easy chairs and other articles of luxury. Immediately adjoining in order, are the library, private room of Mr McGilbeny and bath room. Silver, china and linen closets, and ladies' and gentlemen's toilet room are conveniently located, and adjoining the library a neat burglar and fire-proof safe is placed so as to be entirely hidden from view. There are 16 berths and two state rooms. The car is provided throughout with electric call bells, five servants are in attendance, and it is heated by steam. Under the car are ten lockers where is carried provisions for three weeks' supplies, a ton of anthracite coal, half a ton of ice and other articles.

—The second in the course of "Lend a Hand" sociables will take place at the Unitarian vestry this (Wednesday) evening. Come and see the "Witches from Macbeth" who departing from their usual custom will stir up fortunes from their caldron which will be sold between Part I and Part II of the entertainment. Part II will consist of the "Songs of Seven" illustrated by seven ladies of appropriate ages. Entertainment to commence at 7:30. Admission, 10 cents.

—The Unitarian Reading Club organized for its nineteenth season at the vestry parlor, on Tuesday evening last, by the choice of J. C. Chilcott, President; Mrs A. F. Greely, Vice President; Mrs Cora Welch, Treasurer; Mrs Emily Grant, Secretary. The meetings will probably be held in the vestry parlor during the winter, and all members of the Unitarian society are cordially invited to be present.

—There was a quiet wedding at the house of our neighbor Mr. E. F. Baker, the bride's father, on Tuesday afternoon last. The contracting parties were Mr. Marshall A. Rogers of Orrington, and Miss Aletha V. Baker. The happy couple left on the evening train for their future home. The AMERICAN wishes them a blissful wedded life.

—The brig E. T. Campbell was sold last Friday by United States Marshal Harmon to the Messrs. Mansfield of Jonesport, for $2,225. She was formerly the British brig Shamrock, built at Prince Edward Island in 1877. The Messrs. Mansfield purchased also the salt on board and nearly all of the outfits. The fish were purchased by Portland parties for $2,20.34 per cwt., green, amounting in the aggregate to about $6,000. The whole sales of vessel, cargo, outfits, etc., amounted to between $10,000 and $11,000.

Ellsworth Falls.

Alderman A. E. Moore has slaughtered four hogs this fall with an average weight of 418 lbs., the last weighing 734 lbs.

Mr Henry Conley is at home to remain until after Christmas. He preached in Union hall last Sunday evening.

Mr Moses Cottle and family are in the woods near Surry to remain through the winter.

The electric light plant here is soon to be connected with the one at Ellsworth.

Mr. Albert Smith has recently lost a valuable horse.

Miss Lizzie Blackley has returned home from Waterville.

Last Friday workingmen were engaged in stringing the wires on the poles for the electric light.

Master Pearley, son of W. H. Moore while playing about the stable Monday afternoon, received quite a severe cut below the knee of the right leg from a mowing machine scythe.

The schools in this district will commence next Monday.

The Christmas concert in Union hall last Sunday evening was well attended, and was an interesting and profitable occasion. Much credit is due the children for the success of the occasion.

At a regular business meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. Messrs Hiram Bartlett and Albert Lord were chosen to represent the society in the Ellsworth Local Union.

B.

Surry.

The third session of the quarterly meeting of the M. E. church, will be held at this place, Jan. 6th, with preaching services as follows: 10:30 A. M. at Morgan's Bay, 2 P. M. at the village; communion to follow each service; 6:30 evening, at Rural hall, East Surry. R. L. Nanton, former pastor of this church, is to be with us. Come and enjoy the rich feast that will be spread before you by this most worthy preacher.

Bro. Phelan is soon to give the people a grand entertainment consisting of select reading by a talented young lady friend of his, at the village church. Such efforts on his part should be well appreciated by us, for whom they are put forth; let us as a people stand by his side and hold up his hands in all good works.

George Jarvis, formerly of Surry, now of Mendocino, Cal., met with a serious accident about two weeks ago. He was at work in the woods cutting up a wind fallen tree. When he had cut off several cuts the tree sprung back into place throwing him 12 or 15 feet in the air with his ax in his hand. When he fell he struck on his arm breaking it just above the wrist. About six months ago he crushed his knee badly and about a year ago his father, Frank Jarvis, who is with him, broke his arm so he will always be crippled. George keeps himself well provided for with an accident insurance, but that does not lessen his pain. They have the fullest sympathy of their many friends in Surry.

Schooner Myronus is ready to leave Savannah, Ga., for New York loaded with railroad ties and lumber.

We hear that Roswell Swett is soon to leave Chicago for his home in Surry. His sight has not yet returned nor the use of his arms, but his mind is yet sound and his love for home is strong.

South Surry.

Mrs. Florence Young has returned to her home in Ellsworth.

There was a Christmas tree in the Union church in this place on the evening of the 25th, which was a very enjoyable affair. The tree was loaded with presents both ornamental and useful and some quite costly articles. A collation of cake and coffee was served followed by some very appropriate remarks by Rev. D.

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To the Honorable Judge of Probate within and for the county of Hancock.

THE undersigned administrator of the estate of Abbie Witham, late of Verona, in said county deceased, respectfully represents that the goods and chattels, rights and credits of said deceased are not sufficient to pay her just debts and charges of administration by the sum of twe hundred dollars. Wherefore your petitioner prays your honor to grant him a license to sell at public or private sale, and convey the following described real estate situated in said Verona, and bounded on the north by land of Byron Webster, on the east by the thoroughfare of Penobscot river, on the south by land of James McLeod and on the west by the highway leading on the eastern side of said town, containing eight acres more or less, of the real estate of the deceased, (including the reversion of the widow's dower therein,) to satisfy said debts and charges of administration.

STEPHEN D. BRIDGES, Adm'r.
Verona, Dec. 6th, 1888.

STATE OF MAINE.

HANCOCK SS:—Court of Probate, Dec. Term A. D., 1888.

Upon the foregoing petition, Ordered—That said petitioner give public notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of the petition and this order thereon,

to be published three weeks successively in The Ellsworth American, a newspaper printed or published in Ellsworth, in said county, that they may appear at a court of Probate for said county, to be held at Ellsworth on the 2d Wednesday of January next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

O. P. CUNNINGHAM, Judge.
Attest:—CHAS. P. DORR, Register.
A true copy, Attest:—CHAS. P. DORR, Register.
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UNRETURNING.

Three things never come again:
Snow may vanish from the plain,
Blossoms from the dewy sod,
Verdure from the broken clod,
Water from the river's bed,
Forests from the mountain's head,
Night may brighten into day,
Noon in midnight fade away.

Yet the snow shall come once more
When the winter tempests roar.
Blossoms each returning spring
In her laden arms shall bring.
Grass be green where plow-shares run,
Rivers flash in autumn's sun.
Time shall bid the forests grow,
Noon and midnight come and go,
But though all thy soul complain
Three things shall not come again.

Never to the bow that bends
Comes the arrow that it sends;
Spent in space its airy flight
Vanishes like lost delight,
When with rapid aim it sprang
From the bowstring's shivering twang.
Straight to brain or heart it fled,
Once for all its course was sped.
No wild wail upon its track
Brings the barb of vengeance back.
Hold thy hand before it go;
Pause beside the bended bow;
Hurtled once across the plain,
No spent arrow comes again.

Never comes the chance that passed.
That one moment was its last.
Though thy life upon it hung,
Though thy death beneath it swung,
If thy future all the way
Now in darkness goes astray,
When the instant born of fate
Passes through the golden gate,
When the hour, but not the man,
Comes and goes from nature's plan,
Never more its countenance
Beams upon thy slow advance.
Never more that time shall be
Burden bearer unto thee.
Weep and search o'er land and main,
Lost chance never comes again.

Never shall thy spoken word
Be again unsaid, unheard.
Well its work the mistake wrought—
Woe or weal, what e'er it brought;
Once for all the rune is read,
Once for all the judgment said.
Though it pierced a poisoned spear
Through the soul thou holdest dear,
Though it quiver fierce and deep
Through some stainless spirit's sleep;
Life, vain, the dying sting
That a passing tongue might bring.
Speech shall give it force of steel,
Utterance all its barb reveal.

Give thy tears of blood and fire,
Pray with pangs of mad desire;
Offer life, and soul, and all,
That one sentence to recall.
Wrestle with fate in its wrath,
Chase with flying feet its path,
Rue it all thy lingering days,
Hide it deep with love and praise
Once for all thy word is sped.
None invade it but the dead.
All thy travail will be vain.
Spoken words come not again!

—From Rose Terry Cooke's Poems.

VICE-PRESIDENT MORTON'S COUNTRY SEAT.

A DELIGHTFUL home on the Hudson—Just where the Hudson river receives the waters of Rondout creek, a little curve in its course forms a crescent in which nestles the tiny village of Rhinecliff, on the eastern bank, a matter of a couple of miles or so from Rhinebeck, its larger neighbor. Up from the village, along a mile and a half of picturesque country road, the children on the roadside point out to the inquiring stranger the direction of "Mr. Morton's place." It stands in a lofty and commanding relation to the river, just far enough back to escape the dampness from its mists. Nearly one thousand acres are comprised in Mr. Morton's tract surrounding the house, which are cuddled by a stone wall, and spread back far beyond the view. The gate on the farther side of the grounds is more than a mile from the mansion, through a driveway of great beauty leading out into the country beyond.

Approaching the house from the river gate you pass, on the left, extensive green-houses with dormer roofs, which remain from the former owner, but have been newly repaired and painted. Beyond these lies a grapery. At your right in the distance, sparkles a little lake spanned by a rustic bridge. The grounds are studded with solid trees in clumps, with patches of open, sunbright lawn between.

The house faces north and south, the bend in the river favoring this situation; and its windows command the river breeze on the hottest summer day. It extends 115 feet by 75 feet, and its style has suggestions of the Renaissance and old English. There are verandas surrounding it on three sides, two of them rounded to follow the curve of the bay windows.

From these verandas you can see the Catskills and Highlands, the Poughkeepsie bridge, the spires of Kingston and busy Rondout. The impression the house gives you is that it was built to be looked out of by landscape-loving eyes. It is many-windowed, and each window is one solid pane of plate-glass. The effect inside is indescribably buoyant and pleasing, for each window is an uninterrupted picture.

The door is opened for you by a dignified middle-aged man, who performed the same function for the family at Washington eight or nine years ago, and has a genial memory of faces. Inside the door several broad marble steps lead up to the central hall, a superb apartment, twenty-five feet wide, and ribbed overhead with beams of quartered oak. A recessed stairway winds from it to the chambers. There is a high wainscoting of the oak, and a fireplace on one side. It is luxuriously appointed, and opens into the library, the drawing-room and Mrs. Morton's private sitting-room, making, on occasion, one grand saloon of the four. The library door and door of Mrs. Morton's room face each other. His portrait hangs in the hall opposite her door, and hers, painted by a Paris artist, with her three little daughters grouped around her (when their number was only three) hangs facing the door of the library, which is also his office. It is the countenance of a beautiful woman that looks down on you. She is an ivory blonde, with fascinating smile and features, and with gray blue eyes gentle mirthful, but capable of profound emotion. She is of medium height, with a supple, perfect figure. Another portrait interests the visitor is that of Mr. Morton's mother, Lucretia Parsons Morton, who died in Philadelphia, in 1859, at the house of her daughter, Mrs. Hartpence.

He is just the sort of man to worship mother, wife and home with intense devotion. Witness his memorial tribute to the wife of his youth—Mrs. Lucy Kimball Morton—in the beneficent form of Grace Church orphanage erected at a cost of $75,000. But the love we have cherished for the dead changes to reverence and the heart craves new ties. The brilliant and lovely girl wife who came into his life in 1873, and is now the mother of his five daughters, so manifestly fills the great depth of his nature with overflowing tenderness, that it is beautiful to see them together and the goodly circle of growing girls about them. The eldest, at fourteen is tall and graceful, with much of her father's looks. She is Edith Livingston. The next is Lina Kearney. Both middle names belong to Mrs. Morton's family. Then came Helen, Alice and little Mary, who was born shortly before they sailed for Paris on Mr. Morton's ministry to France. Louis Parsons, the son, was next older than Mary. He died at four months old. This is the one shadow on their hearthstone. Mrs. Morton was Anna Livingston Street, daughter of one of the prominent residents in the Hudson valley, Mr. Wm. I. Street, of Poughkeepsie, and niece of Alfred B. Street, the poet, and for many years State librarian at Albany.

The new house is not yet fully furnished. There has not yet been time. The drawing-room is incomplete, and Mrs. Morton's chamber, just over her sitting-room, a spacious apartment, which is to be furnished in white and gold, has parts of several different sets in it temporarily. The little girls have a group of dainty bedrooms on either side of this. Besides the other three, the family circle at table include Mr. Morton's long-time private secretary, Mr. Coyney, who was with him both in Washington and Paris, and a young lady governess, trained in normal school methods, who is grounding her young pupils thoroughly in English branches.

Mr. Morton quietly enjoys his farm life and talked with a farmer's pride of his season's hay crop of 400 tons; of his seventy-five Guernsey cattle and their power as butter producers; of his dairy with its new conveniences and methods; of Southdown sheep, his horses and his barns.

TAKE YOUR HANDS OUT OF YOUR POCKETS, YOUNG MAN!

To begin with, it does not look well when a young man crooks his arms and thrust his hands into his pockets, making a figure eight of himself, and then stands up against the sunny side of the house, like a rooster in December.

How would the girls look, all turned into eights and leaning against the wall? How would your mother look in that posture? Catch her doing it! You don't find her hands in her pockets. Your mother's hands! While you are loafing, they are the hands that sew, and bake, and stew, and fry, and sweep, and darn, and nurse; but she does not sink them in her pockets, and then lounge against a building.

Are your hands cold? Warm them up at the end of the hoe handle and scythe. Swing the hammer; drive the plane; flourish the axe. There is untold calorie about the spade, trowel, and wrench.

Besides, pocket heat is not profitable. Have you money there, though? Are your pockets the safes in which you have hidden treasures, and your hands the bolts that secure the safe-door? Money may be there inside, but it won't be a guest over to-morrow night. An idle man's money is apt to leap out of his pocket. It is likely to go for a pipe, a cigar, a tobacco plug, a nip of ale. There is no money in pocket warming.

Take your hands out of your pockets, young man. You are losing time. Time is valuable. People feel it at the other end of the line, when death is near and eternity pressing them into such small quarters, for the work of this life, crowes hours, days, weeks, years. It times at this end of the line of youth with its abundance of resources would only feel that time was precious? Time is a quarry. Every hour may be a nugget of gold. In the time in which invaluable moments we build our bridges, spike the iron rails to the sleepers, launch our ships, dig our canals, run our factories. You might have planted twenty hills of potatoes while I have been talking to you, young man. Take your hands out of your pockets.—*Chicago Banner.*

A PERFECT WOMAN.

If a woman wishes to know whether she is a perfect specimen of her sex she has merely to apply the rule laid down for ascertaining the oldest fact on the earth and figure out the result.

As to height, tastes differ, but for Medician Venus, a very good standard of beauty, is five feet and five inches in height, which sculptors agree is the most desirable stature for women. For a woman 5 feet 5, 138 pounds is the proper weight and if she is well formed she can stand another ten pounds without greatly shaving it. When arms are extended she should measure from tip of middle finger to tip of middle finger just 5 feet 5, exactly her own height. The length of her head should be just a length of that, and her foot just a seventh, and the diameter of her chest a fifth. From her thighs to the ground she should measure just what she measures from the thighs to the top of the head. The knee should come exactly midway between the thigh and heel, the distance from the elbow to the end of the chest. From the tip of the head to the chin should be just the length of the foot, and there should be one same distance between the chin and armpits. A woman of this height should measure thirty-four inches about the bust, if measured from under the arms, and forty-three if over them. The upper arm should measure thirteen inches and the wrist six. The calf of the leg should measure fourteen and a half inches, the thigh twenty-five and the ankle eight. There is another system of measurements which says that the distance twice around the thumb, should go once around the wrist; twice around the wrist once around the throat; twice around the throat once around the waist, and so on, but the first are the measures used by sculptors who have gained them by measurements of the Greek statues.

HOW GRANT OBTAINED A RESIGNATION.—A story which has probably never been in print is told on the authority of Henry Wilson as to how Grant succeeded in getting the resignation of Postmaster-General Jewell of his cabinet. The story runs that Grant and Jewell were alone together, talking over matters, when, without any previous suggestion of the subject, the President said to his cabinet adviser, "Jewell, how do you suppose your resignation would look written out?" Jewell, thinking the question a pleasantry of Grant's, said he would write it and see. "All right," said Grant, "you just take some paper and write it down and see how it looks." Jewell wrote and handed the paper to Grant. The latter looked at it a moment and replied: "That looks well. I will accept that." He was in earnest and Jewell was out of the cabinet.

ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS AND THE YELLOW FEVER.—Mayor Archibald of Jacksonville, Florida, speaking recently of the ravages of yellow fever in that city, said: "It strikes persons of alcoholic habits fatally. The fever is of a very mild form. The mortality is only about fifteen per cent, and taking out the deaths of men addicted to the use of alcoholic beverages the mortality would not exceed five per cent. Two-thirds of the fatality is due to the fact that persons have been accustomed to the use of strong drink before they were attacked by the fever, and in every such case the patient invariably dies, and without reaction. It is a frequent remark on the Jacksonville streets that yellow fever is the best temperance lecture the city ever had."

I have lost the way to happiness—
Oh, who will lead me back?
Turn off from the highway of selfishness
To the right—up Duty's track.

Keep straight along and you can't go wrong,
For as sure as you live, I say,
The fair, lost fields of happiness
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—[*Ella Wheeler Wilcox in Good Cheer.*

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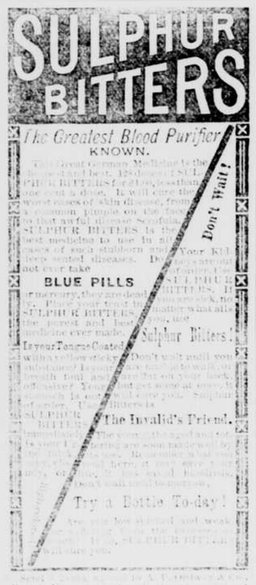

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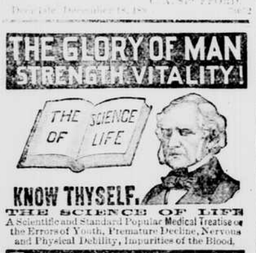

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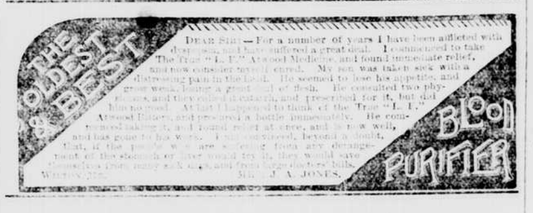

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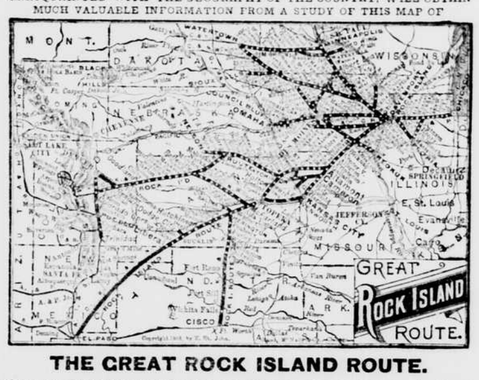

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Loans on Real and Mortgage,	1,750,100.23
U. S. Government & per cent. Bonds	1,581,500.00
State and City Bonds,	445,000.00
Cash in banks,	804,127.[illegible]
Other Admitted Assets,	918,[illegible]
	$6,738,[illegible].82

LIABILITIES.

Unearned Premiums,	$2,800,[illegible]
Unexpired of Losses,	300,117.93
Perpetual Policy Liability,	332,850.84
All other Liabilities,	256,450.00
Surplus,	3,041,037.72
	$6,738,[illegible].82

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Cash in hand,	$[illegible]
Premiums in course of collection,	[illegible]
Reserve for all other Liabilities,	[illegible]
Net Surplus,	[illegible]
	$2,439,[illegible]

SUMMARY OF ASSETS.

U. S. Bonds (cost $1,[illegible])	$1,[illegible]
Bonds and Mortgages, being first lien on improved real estate in New York and Brooklyn,	[illegible]
First Mortgage Loans,	[illegible]
Bonds and Stocks,	[illegible]
Cash in Bank,	[illegible]
Premiums in course of collection,	[illegible]
Interest accrued,	[illegible]
	$2,[illegible]

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